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Town Officers

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Amherst, N. H.

for the

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Year Ending June 30, 1975

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IN MEMORIAM

Edward Conti

Trustee of the Trust Funds
1958-1975

Lewis Sawyer

Selectman – 1955
Treasurer, Amherst Village District
1952-1954

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Town Officers

Population in June, 1975 – 7,055

Moderator
M. A. Wight, Jr.

Selectmen
Francis N. Perry, Chairman, 1977
Edward C. Masten, 1978 Robert G. Lown, 1976
Barbara H. Landry, Secretary

Town Clerk
Bernice G. Boothroyd

Tax Collector
Barbara H. Landry

Treasurer
Marion M. Sortevik

Town Counsel
William R. Drescher

Health Officer
Dr. James C. Starke

Welfare Officer
Edward C. Masten

Zoning Administrator
Robert J. Barton

Road Agent
Richard G. Crocker

Custodian of Town Buildings
Ernest E. Law

Police Chief
James F. Tinker, resigned
John T. Osborn, Jr.

Fire Chief
Marshall D. Strickland

Fire Wards
Marshall D. Strickland David Herlihy Richard G. Crocker

Auditors
Orson H. Bragdon Maurice R. Martel

Supervisors of the Checklists
Audrey Spalding, 1980 Rosemary Biddle, 1976
Robert Wishart, 1978

Rescue Squad and Civil Preparedness
Roy E. Maston, Director Harding C. Sortevik, Deputy Director

Trustees of Trust Funds

David T. Ramsay, 1977 — Edward A. Conti, 1976, (deceased)
Charles Ware, 1976 — George W. Brown, 1978

Cemetery Trustees

David T. Ramsay — Edward Marchildon — Edward C. Masten

Library Trustees

E. Daniel Johnson, 1978 — W. Ryland Cox, 1978
John Manning, 1976 — Elizabeth Lyle, 1976
Lucy Ramsay, 1977 — Margaret Gray, 1977

Planning Board

Robert Jackson, Chairman, 1978, resigned
Robert Crouter, Acting Chairman, 1976

Charles Hood, 1976, resigned — E. Gordon Pullar, 1977 resigned
Herbert Kopf, 1976 — James Shildneck, 1977
Scott Sutherland, 1980 — Robert Bacon, 1979, resigned
Robert Suomala, 1978 — Roger Smith, 1979
Thain Allan, alternate

Robert Lown, ex-officio

Board of Adjustment

Thomas Carson, Chairman, 1976

Russell Steeves, 1980 — Rosemary Daley, 1976
Arnold Dickinson, 1977 — Roger Brown, 1978
Beverly Eger, 1979, resigned

Road Commissioners

A. David Johnson, 1977, resigned — Meric Arnold, 1977
Harold Warner, 1978 — Everett Leach, 1976

Nashua Regional Planning Commission

Elizabeth Searles, 1977, resigned — Martin Michaelis, 1978
Joann Shildneck 1977

Conservation Commission

Alice E. Arnold, 1976 — William Weatherbee, 1976
Wallace Warren, 1977 — Charles Tiedeman, 1976
Elizabeth Barrett, 1978 — Michael Grubb, 1978

William Goodwill, 1977

Historic District Commission

Robert Crouter, 1978 — George Brown, Chairman, 1976
Barbara Berlack, 1978 — Anna M. Jones, 1977
Francis N. Perry, ex-officio — Rosamond Buchanan, 1977, resigned

Recreation Commission

Suzanne Blakeman, 1978, Chairman
Clark Stewart, 1977 — Keith Hiller, 1978
Bruce Fraser, 1977 — Susan Kierstead, 1976

Tree Committee

Eugene I. Roe, 1978, resigned — Margaret Drobat, 1976
Norman J. Marsh, 1977

Independence Day Committee

Amherst Jay Cees — Orson Bragdon — Amherst Lions Club
Raymond Morin — Ann Bergin — Joseph Ryan
Barbara Perry — George Brown

Memorial Day Committee

Frederick Simmons, Chairman — William Hopkins
Kathleen Magill — Peter Bergin

Ways and Means Committee

W. Allan Huebner, Chairman
Dorothy Carlsmith — Thomas Grella
Richard Infantine — Ann Snow
John Freeman — Joseph Hoag

Representatives to the General Court

Orson Bragdon — Kenneth Spalding — Josephine Martin

Member of the State Senate

Alan Rock

Town Government Study Committee

J. Merrill Hines, Chairman, 1978
Ingrid Michaelis, 1978 — Burton Knight, 1977
Paul Savage, 1976 — Evelyn Dudley, 1977

Amherst Bicentennial Committee

Thomas Grella, Chairman — Mary Steeves, Secretary
Joseph Ryan, Chairman, resigned

TOWN WARRANT
State of New Hampshire

Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Voting on Article 1 through 7 will be at the polls.

Remaining articles will be considered at the meeting held at 8:00 p.m.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Amherst in the County of Hillsborough in said state, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Wilkins School on Tuesday, the 2nd day of March, next at 7 of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1.
To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Article 2.
To see if the Town will vote to make the following changes in the Zoning Map and the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Amherst:

VOTE NO. 1

Town Center Commercial District
To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map as follows:

A. To amend the Zoning Map of the Town of Amherst as follows: The area designated on property map No. 6 as Lots 57-1 and 57-2 on Limbo Lane be amended so that they constitute a "Town Center Commercial District".

B. To amend Article IV of the Zoning Ordinance by adding a new Section 4-11 Town Center Commercial District as follows:

A. General Purpose

To provide a centrally located area to serve limited

retail, personal service and business needs of the residents of the Town.

B. Permitted Uses

(1) Any use permitted in the "RE" District, subject to all the provisions specified for such district.

(2) Retail, personal service and business establishments of a type consistent with the purpose of this district to serve limited commercial needs of various neighborhoods in Town each of which shall occupy no more than Twenty-five Hundred (2500) square feet of building area. The foregoing shall include, but not necessarily be limited to:

Retail grocery, meat, produce, drugs, stationery, hardware, baked goods.

Barber and Beauty shops.

Shops for the collection and distribution of clothing and materials for dyeing and cleaning establishments.

Banks.

Coffee or sandwich shop (except for drive-in or fast service types).

(3) Business and or professional offices for individual or group practice, including doctors and dentists (including medical or dental clinics), lawyers, counseling services, engineers, architects, planners, insurance and accountants.

C. Area and Frontage Requirements

(1) The minimum lot area shall be one (1) acre, except for a residential use which shall be two (2) acres.

(2) Each lot shall have a minimum frontage of two hundred (200) feet on the principal route of access to the lot.

D. Yard and Building Requirements

(1) Each structure shall be set back at least sixty (60) feet from the front lot line and thirty (30) feet from side and rear lot lines or sixty (60) feet from side lot lines constituting streets where the lot is a corner lot.

(2) Any lot bordering a residential zone or an existing residential use shall have a landscape buffer between any buildings and such residential zone or use.

(3) No building shall be constructed to a height greater than two and one-half (2½) stories or thirty-five (35) feet (whichever is lesser) exclusive of chimneys.

(4) The floor area ratio shall be a maximum of 0.25 for one story buildings and 0.4 for two story buildings.

(5) A minimum of thirty-five (35) per cent of the area of any lot shall remain landscaped open space and not be utilized for construction (including parking).

(6) Consideration shall be given to combining access points wherever desirable for traffic safety.

(7) All storage and or equipment parking area shall be fenced, screened, landscaped, or otherwise protected from view.

C. To amend Article II of the Zoning Ordinance by adding "TC Town Center Commercial District".

AMENDMENT NO. 1

Ballot Question to read:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows?

To change the area between Limbo Lane and Route 101 Bypass from "Rural District" to "Town Center Commercial District" and to provide regulations therefore.

YES ☐ NO ☐

VOTE NO. 2

Limited Commercial District

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map as follows:

A. To amend the Zoning Map of the Town of Amherst as follows:

(1) The currently existing "Commercial" District set forth at the intersection of the Horace Greeley Highway (Route 101), Horace Greeley Road, Austin Road, Pine Road and Old Manchester Road be amended to constitute a "LIMITED COMMERCIAL DISTRICT".

(2) The currently existing "Industrial" zone set forth at the intersection of Mont Vernon Road (Route 13) and Christian Hill Road adjacent to the Milford boundary be amended to constitute a "LIMITED COMMERCIAL DISTRICT".

B. To amend Article IV of the Zoning Ordinance by adding a new Section 4-12 Limited Commercial District as follows:

A. General Purpose

To provide commercial areas to serve limited commercial and business needs of the general public.

B. Permitted Uses

(1) All uses permitted in the Town Center Commercial District, without the size and building area limitation as set forth therein.

(2) Veterinary clinic.

(3) Gasoline service station which may have a garage for repairs to automobiles only but not to include body or fender repair, paint spraying, or used car sales lots. A gasoline service station is not permitted to be located within two (2) miles of an existing station.
(4) Wholesale business and interior storage.
(5) Interior recreational establishment.

C. **Area and Frontage Requirements**
(1) The minimum lot area for any permitted use shall be one (1) acre except for a residential use which shall be two (2) acres.
(2) Each lot shall have a minimum frontage of two hundred (200) feet on the principal route of access to the lot.

D. **Yard and Building Requirements**
(1) Each structure shall be set back at least sixty (60) feet from the front lot line and thirty (30) feet from side and rear lot lines or sixty (60) feet from side lot lines constituting streets where the lot is a corner lot.
(2) Any lot bordering a residential zone or an existing residential use shall have a landscape buffer between any buildings and such residential zone or use.
(3) No building shall be constructed to a height greater than two and one-half ($2\frac{1}{2}$) stories or thirty-five (35) feet (whichever is lesser) exclusive of chimneys.
(4) The floor area ratio shall be a maximum of 0.3 for one story buildings and 0.6 for two story buildings.
(5) A minimum of thirty (30) per cent of the area of any lot shall remain landscaped open space and not be utilized for construction (including parking).
(6) There shall be no more than one access to any lot wherever desirable for traffic safety and consideration shall be given to combining access points where two or more lots are being concurrently developed.
(7) All storage and or equipment parking area shall be fenced, screened, landscaped, or otherwise protected from view.

C. To amend Article II of the Zoning Ordinance by adding "LC Limited Commercial District".

AMENDMENT NO. 2
Ballot Question to read:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows?

To change the present "Commerical District" by Horace Greeley Highway and Pine Road and the present "Industrial District" by

Route 13 and Christian Hill Road both to "Limited Commercial District" and to provide regulations therefore.

YES ☐ NO ☐

VOTE NO. 3

Commercial District

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map as follows:

A. To amend the Zoning Map of the Town of Amherst in the vicinity of Route 101-A as follows:

(1) To establish the following described area as a "COMMERCIAL DISTRICT":

The area currently designated as "Industrial" on the South side of Route 101-A between the Milford Town Line on the West and the "Commercial" area at the intersection of Routes 122 and 101-A on the East.

(2) To amend the district boundaries of the area currently designated as "Industrial" on the north side of Route 101-A in the vicinity of and across said Route 101-A from Mother Gardner's Crossing, so that said district will be divided into a "Commercial" district, an "Industrial" district and a "Residential" district as follows:

That portion of said district consisting of Lots 88, 89-1 and 89-2 on Property Map No. 2 changed to "Commercial".

Only that portion of said district consisting of a portion of Lot 86 on Tax Map No. 2 retained as "Industrial".

The remainder of said district to be changed to "Residential District".

(3) To amend the district boundaries of the area currently designated as "Transition" on the north side of Route 101-A, the east boundary of which is 1500' west of and across Route 101-A from North Hollis Road so that said district will be divided into an "Industrial" district, a "Residential" district and a "Commercial" district as follows:

That portion of said district consisting of Lots 79, a portion of Lot 80, 80-1, 83 and a portion of Lot 86 at the western end of said district to be changed to "Industrial".

That portion of said district consisting of Lots 70, 72-9 to 72-20 inclusive, 75, 76 and 78 to be changed to "Residential".

The remainder of said district to become "Commercial".

(4) To amend the district boundaries of the areas currently designated "Transition" and "Commercial" respectively on the south side of Route 101-A extending from 1500' west of North Hollis Road approximately to Mother Gardner's Crossing on the west so that both of said areas will be changed to "Industrial".

B. To amend Article IV of the Zoning Ordinance by deleting in its entirety Section 4-7 Commercial District and substituting therefor the following:

Section 4-7 Commercial District ("C" District)

A. General Purpose

To provide commercial areas to serve major commercial and business needs of the general public.

B. Permitted Uses

(1) All uses permitted in the Limited Commercial District.

(2) Additional uses which include but are not limited to the following:

a. Retail establishments for the sale of general merchandise, appliances or automotive supplies or for the sale, repair, and maintenance of automobiles.

b. Hotels and motels.

c. Department stores and supermarkets.

d. Public utility building, structure or facility.

C. Area and Frontage Requirements

(1) The minimum lot area for any permitted use shall be one (1) acre except for a residential use which shall be two (2) acres.

(2) Each lot shall have a minimum frontage of two hundred (200) feet on the principal route of access to the lot.

D. Yard and Building Requirements

(1) Each structure shall be set back at least one hundred (100) feet and all parking areas shall be set back at least fifty (50) feet from the edge of the highway right-of-way; a landscaped area sufficient to maintain a permanent natural vegetation buffer shall exist between the highway and improved areas along it.

No existing building, structure, or parking area may be expanded or enlarged within these setbacks.

(2) Each structure shall also be set back thirty (30) feet from side and rear lot lines or sixty (60) feet from side lot lines constituting streets where the lot is a corner lot.

(3) Any lot bordering a residential zone or an existing residential use shall have a landscape buffer between any

buildings and such residential zone or use.

(4) No building shall be constructed to a height greater than two and one-half (2½) stories or thirty-five (35) feet (whichever is lesser) exclusive of stacks, towers, etc.

(5) The floor area ratio shall be a maximum of 0.4 for one story buildings and 0.7 for two story buildings.

(6) A minimum of thirty (30) per cent of the area of any lot shall remain landscaped open space and not be utilized for construction (including parking).

(7) There shall be no more than one access to any lot wherever desirable for traffic safety and consideration shall be given to combining access points where two or more lots are being concurrently developed.

(8) All storage and or equipment parking areas shall be fenced, screened, landscaped, or otherwise protected from view.

C. To amend Article II of the Zoning Ordinance by deleting "T Transition District".

AMENDMENT NO. 3

Ballot Question to read:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows?

To change certain areas along Route 101A to "Commercial District", "Industrial District" and "Residential District" as shown on the posted map and to provide new district regulations for the "Commercial District".

YES ☐ NO ☐

VOTE NO. 4

Open Space Development

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To delete Section 5-8 of the Zoning Ordinance dealing with Cluster Development and to replace it with the following:

Section 4-13 - Open Space Development

A. General

The Planning Board may approve Open Space Developments in accordance with the following regulations, and such other regulations as may apply.

B. Purpose

The purposes of Open Space Development to which any such development must adhere, are:

(1) To promote the conservation of the natural and scenic environment, and the development of community uses in harmony with the natural features of the land.

(2) To establish living areas within the Town that provide for a balance of community needs, such as a diversity of housing opportunities, adequate recreation and open space areas, easy accessibility to these and other community facilities, and pedestrian and vehicular safety.

(3) To provide for efficient use of land, streets and utility systems.

(4) To stimulate imaginative and economical approaches to land use and community development.

C. **General Regulations**

(1) Open Space Development shall be permitted in all Districts in which residential uses are permitted. Construction of septic tank absorption fields, relative thereto, shall take place only where the soils of the proposed site have slight and or moderate limitations therefor as defined by the Soil Survey Interpretation Sheets of the National Co-operative Soil Survey for those soils. An owner or owners, or a duly authorized agent thereof, of a tract of land may submit to the Planning Board a subdivision plan for an Open Space Development according to the procedures and provisions of the Subdivision Regulations of the Town of Amherst. It shall be the obligation of the developer to provide to the Planning Board, upon application for approval of a plan hereunder, information relative to soil status as set forth in Paragraph C-1 above.

(2) The maximum number of dwelling units, either single family detached or attached housing, permitted in any Open Space Development shall be determined by dividing the Net Tract Area by the minimum lot size for the zoning district in which the Development is located. In an Open Space Development which provides a variety of type, design, and layout of dwellings by the inclusion of attached dwelling units within the overall Development, an increase of not more than ten (10) per cent in the above indicated maximum number of dwelling units shall be permitted. Any such increase shall be attached housing. Such attached dwelling units shall constitute not more than twenty (20) per cent of the total number of dwelling units within the Open Space Development, shall be not more than two and one-half ($2\frac{1}{2}$) stories in height, shall have an average of not more than two and one-half ($2\frac{1}{2}$) bedrooms per dwelling unit, shall be provided with a minimum of two (2) off street parking spaces per dwelling unit, and

shall be so planned as to provide appropriate emergency vehicle access to all structures.

The Net Tract Area of a parcel of land shall be defined as the total area of the parcel less all non-buildable land, including all area within the Flood Plain Conservation District and the Wetland Conservation District and all area with a slope of greater than twenty-five per cent.

Attached Dwelling Units shall be defined as individual housing units which share a common building structure with one or more other individual housing units.

(3) Open Space Developments shall not have to provide the minimum frontage, setback and acreage around each dwelling unit as required elsewhere in the Zoning Ordinance, but shall be so designed and constructed as to achieve the purposes of Open Space Development as set forth in Paragraph B of these regulations.

(4) Where an Open Space Development abuts existing development or existing roads, a landscaped buffer sufficient to provide an adequate division or transition between uses shall be established, but in no case shall the width of such buffer be less than the setbacks otherwise required in that District.

(5) Open Space Developments shall have at least thirty (30) per cent of the Net Tract Area set aside as common open space for the use and enjoyment of the residents of the Development and or the general public and shall be permanently restricted for open space, recreation and conservation uses. Suitable recreation facilities and equipment as determined through consultation with the Planning Board, shall be constructed or installed by the developer. The location, variety, accessibility and orientation to other uses of this common open space shall be suitable to the type and character of the proposed Development and to the location of the Development within the Town. A majority of this open space shall be contiguous to the Development.

(6) Open space within the Development shall be either deeded to the Town of Amherst; or shall be protected by recreation and or conservation easements; or shall be leased or conveyed to be permanently protected in other suitable ways approved by the Planning Board so as to guarantee the following:

a. The continued use of such land for the intended purposes;

b. Continuity of proper maintenance for those portions of the open space land requiring maintenance;

c. When appropriate, the availability of funds required for such maintenance;
d. Recovery for loss sustained as a result of casualty, condemnation or otherwise, and
e. In the case of a homeowners' association or similar form of ownership, that the membership and obligation of the residents of the Open Space Development be automatic upon conveyance of title or lease to individual dwelling units.

(7) The Open Space Development plan shall show the layout of all roads and shall differentiate between collector roads which move traffic into or through the Development, and residential streets which provide access to the individual dwelling units. All roads shall be built to the Town requirements for new public roads and shall be required by the Planning Board to be offered to the Town for public acceptance; except that right-of-way and pavement widths for residential streets may be reduced according to standards adopted by the Planning Board in consultation with the Road Commissioners and the Board of Selectmen and may, with the approval of the Planning Board, remain in private ownership. The Planning Board shall determine which roads shall be constructed, approved, and where applicable, accepted by the Selectmen, prior to the issuance of specific building permits.

(8) All utilities shall be placed underground.

D. Review Standards

The review of an Open Space Development conducted by the Planning Board under these regulations shall ascertain that adequate and appropriate provisions have been made by the owner or his authorized agent for the following.

(1) Traffic circulation and access including adequacy of adjacent streets, entrances and exits, traffic flow, sight distances, curb cuts, turning lanes, and existing or recommended traffic signalization.

(2) Pedestrian safety and access.

(3) Parking.

(4) Emergency vehicle access.

(5) Storm water drainage based upon a 10-year storm frequency, utilizing on-site absorption wherever practical.

(6) Recreation facilities and resources.

(7) Water supply and wastewater disposal shall meet all state and town requirements.

(8) Environmental factors such as protection against pollution, noise, odor, and the protection of natural land features.

(9) Landscaping in keeping with the general character of surrounding area.
(10) Signs and exterior lighting.
(11) Preservation of areas of significant historic, conservation, and scenic value.
(12) Utilization of topography, slope, and sun orientation in overall layout of the Development.
(13) Compatibility in the design and location of different types of dwelling units.

In addition, the Planning Board shall review the plan to assure compliance with the provisions of the standards set forth in Paragraph "C" of this Section and other town regulations and ordinances. The Planning Board shall also ascertain that the plan minimizes the encroachment of the Open Space Development upon neighboring land uses.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

Ballot Question to read:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows?

To delete the present "Cluster Development" regulations and replace them with new "Open Space Development" regulations.

YES ☐ NO ☐

VOTE NO. 5

Scenic Setbacks

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance to add the following provision to Article III thereof:

Section 3-11: Scenic Setbacks

A. Purpose

The purpose of this section is to preserve and enhance the rural, open character of the Town as viewed from the main roads leading through the Town and scenic roads within the Town and to prevent unsightly strip development along these routes.

B. Regulations

To accomplish the purpose of this section, a setback requirement for all structures of one hundred (100) feet from the highway right-of-way is established on the following roads, and said setbacks shall apply notwithstanding any other setback requirements which may be applicable as a result of other District regulations:

(1) Route 101-A from Merrimack Town Line west to Milford Town Line.

(2) Route 122 from Hollis Town Line north to Old Route 101, Horace Greeley Highway.
(3) Boston Post Road from Stearns Road north to Route 122.
(4) Boston Post Road from Beaver Brook north to Mont Vernon Road.
(5) Mont Vernon Road from Boston Post Road north to Mont Vernon Town Line.
(6) Horace Greeley Highway from Milford Town Line north to Bedford Town Line.
(7) Route 101 Bypass from Horace Greeley Highway south to Milford Town Line.
(8) New Boston Road from Boston Post Road north to Mont Vernon Town Line.
(9) Christian Hill Road from Davis Lane to Route 13.
(10) Corduroy Road from Merrimack Road north to Boston Post Road.
(11) Merrimack Road from Boston Post Road north to Corduroy Road.
(12) Mack Hill Road from Manchester Road north to Austin Road.
(13) All Scenic Roads.

C. **Exceptions**

(1) In any case in which a Non-Residential Site Plan Review is conducted by the Planning Board for a use along any of the above listed roads, a reduction in this one hundred foot setback may be permitted due to specific site characteristics, if the Planning Board determines that the purpose of this Section, as set forth in Paragraph "A" above, can and will be achieved by such reduction. This setback shall not be reduced, however, below the minimum front yard setback required elsewhere in this Ordinance.
(2) Any person aggrieved by the operation of this section may apply to the Board of Adjustment for a variance herefrom in like manner as in other situations where the existence of a hardship is alleged.
(3) In the event that a lot of record, at the time of passage of this section, is of such size and dimension that the application of the foregoing setback in combination with all other setbacks as may be required for such lot precludes the use of more than sixty (60) per cent of the area of such lot, then the foregoing one hundred (100) foot setback shall not apply to such lot; however, in all cases where such a lot is proposed for a use which qualifies for Non-Residential Site Plan Review by the Planning Board, the Planning Board shall determine that appropriate site provisions have been provided so

as to reasonably achieve the purpose of this Section as set forth in Paragraph "A" above.

(4) The regulations set forth herein, are intended to apply only to the construction of new structures which takes place on and after the effective date of this section. Any dwelling or other structure which was in existence at the time of passage of this section, may be enlarged, modified or otherwise altered without the necessity of complying with the requirements of this section, provided that such alterations do not reduce the setback from the front lot line to an amount less than that which existed on the effective date of this section. Such construction need only comply with the other setback requirements applicable in the respective districts.

AMENDMENT NO. 5

Ballot Question to read:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows?

To establish a "Scenic Setback" of 100 feet along certain listed roads.

YES ☐ NO ☐

VOTE NO. 6

Watershed Protection Regulations

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance to add the following provision to Article III thereof:

Section 3-12 Watershed Protection Regulations

A. Purpose

In the interest of public health, convenience, safety and welfare, the following regulations are intended to guide the use of areas of land with extended periods of high water table and lands draining into wetlands, brooks, ponds or water supply areas; to control building and land uses which would contribute to pollution of surface and ground water by sewage; to prevent the destruction of watershed areas which provide flood protection, recharge of ground water supply, and augmentation of stream flow during dry periods; to prevent unnecessary or excessive expenses to the Town to provide and maintain essential services and utilities which arise because of inharmonious use of watershed areas; and to encourage those uses that can be appropriately and safely located in this district.

B. Definition

Watershed Protection Area

Watershed Protection Area shall mean an area of land

surrounding designated bodies of water for the purpose of controlling building and land uses which would contribute to the pollution of surface and ground water, and preventing the destruction of watershed areas and wetlands which would provide flood protection.

For the purposes of this section such watershed protection area shall include all lands within one hundred (100) feet of the bodies of water and brooks shown as "perennial streams" or "intermittent streams" on the U.S. Geological Survey Maps applicable to the Town of Amherst.

C. Regulations

No structure or septic system shall be constructed within the watershed protection area.

D. Permitted Uses

Any of the following uses that do not result in the deterioration of the water quality in the watershed protection area shall be permitted:

(1) Miscellaneous trimming, pruning, and thinning according to good forestry practices.
(2) Tree farming and forestry according to practices approved by the County Forester.
(3) Agriculture.
(4) Ponds planned and executed under the direction of the USDA-SCS.
(5) Wildlife refuge.

No other cutting or removal of living trees or shrubs shall be permitted in the watershed protection area without permission for the same having been obtained from the Zoning Administrator of the Town of Amherst, who shall grant such permission after having ascertained the proposed cutting or removal is to be conducted in a fashion that is consistent with the purpose of this Section and will have as limited an effect on the watershed protection area as is reasonably possible.

In the event that it shall be necessary or beneficial to construct a road through the watershed protection area then such road shall be constructed under the supervision of the Road Department and the Board of Selectmen and shall be constructed in such a way as to minimize the impact that such construction shall have on the watershed protection area.

AMENDMENT NO. 6

Ballot Question to read:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows?

To establish a "Watershed Protection Area" along certain brooks and to provide regulations therefore.

YES ☐ NO ☐

VOTE NO. 7

Deletion of Lakeside District

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map as follows:

A. To amend the Zoning Map of the Town of Amherst as follows:

To change the existing "Lakeside District" in the vicinity of Baboosic Lake to "Rural District."

To that end to delete Section 4-4 of Article IV and Section 5-5 of Article V of the Zoning Ordinance dealing with Lakeside District and delete "L - Lakeside District" from Article II.

AMENDMENT NO. 7

Ballot Question to read:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows?

To change the existing "Lakeside District" in the vicinity of Baboosic Lake to "Rural District".

YES ☐ NO ☐

VOTE NO. 8

Northern Rural District

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map as follows:

A. To amend the Zoning Map of the Town of Amherst as follows: To establish the "Northern Rural District," the boundaries of which shall be as follows:

All that portion of the Town of Amherst north of the following described line:

Beginning at the intersection of the center line of the Horace Greeley Highway (Route 101) and the east boundary of the Town of Amherst; thence

Proceeding westerly by said line of the Horace Greeley Highway to the east boundary of the "Commercial" district in the vicinity of Schoolhouse Road; thence

Continuing westerly by the north line of said "Commercial" District to the point at which said north line

of said district intersects the said line of said Horace Greeley Highway (Route 101); thence

Continuing westerly along the center line of said Horace Greeley Highway (Route 101) to the intersection of said Highway with the north line of the "Residential" District in the vicinity of Lincoln Pond; thence

Westerly by the north boundary of said "Residential" District to the intersection of the north boundary of said district with the west boundary of the Town of Amherst.

B. To amend Article IV of the Zoning Ordinance by adding the following language as Section 4-14:

Section 4-14 - Northern Rural District ("NR District")

A. Purpose

The purpose of establishing the Northern Rural District is the following:

(1) To identify a portion of Town that contains extensive areas of poor soils, steep slopes, and limited accessibility which limit both the types of development which are compatible with these limitations as well as the areas in which this development can suitably take place.

(2) To recognize the unique rural, scenic, and natural character of a portion of Town which has remained essentially undeveloped and unchanged during the time that the remainder of Town has experienced considerable physical development and change.

(3) To ensure that future development in this area of Town be of a type that is compatible with the area's extensive physical limitations as well as its unique rural, scenic, and natural character.

B. Permitted Uses

(1) One family dwelling and accessory buildings.

(2) Farm, agricultural or nursery use.

(3) Roadside stand for the sale of farm produce or nursery products.

C. Open Space Development

In order to achieve the purpose of this Section, Open Space Development shall be encouraged as the principal method of future development in this District. After the effective date of this Ordinance, all sub-division of land into five (5) or more lots within this District shall be according to Open Space Development provisions as set forth in Section 4-13 of this Ordinance. The minimum lot size shall be two (2) acres for the purpose of determining the number of dwelling units permitted on any tract of land as described in Paragraph C 1. of Section 4-13.

D. Other Development

All development in this District other than Open Space Development shall adhere to the following:

(1) **Area and Frontage Requirements**

The minimum lot area for any permitted use (other than Open Space Development) shall be five (5) acres.

Each lot shall have a minimum frontage of three hundred (300) feet on the principal route of access to the lot.

(2) **Yard Requirements**

(1) Each structure shall be set back at least fifty (50) feet from the front lot line, or at such distance as shall conform to the line of existing buildings on adjacent property.

(2) Each structure shall be set back at least thirty (30) feet from the side and rear lot lines. In the case of corner property, this distance shall be increased to fifty (50) feet on that side bordering a street, lane or public way.

(3) Any accessory use housed in a separate building shall be set back at least fifteen (15) feet from side and rear lot lines and at least thirty (30) feet from front lot line and not exceed fifteen (15) feet in height. This height requirement may be waived for farm structures.

C. To amend Article V of the Zoning Ordinance by adding the following language as Section 5-9:

Section 5-9 Uses Permitted by Special Exception in the Northern Rural District

A. Religious Purposes.
B. Private schools.
C. Commercial recreational uses.
D. Hospitals, clinics, nursing homes, and other similar uses.
E. Professional offices.
F. Funeral homes.
G. Sawmills and lumber yards.
H. A home occupation, provided there be no alteration in the building involved which affects the exterior appearance.

D. To amend Article II of the Zoning Ordinance by adding "NR Northern Rural District".

AMENDMENT NO. 8

Ballot Question to read:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows?

To establish a new "Northern Rural District" as shown on the posted map and to provide regulations therefore.

YES ☐ NO ☐

VOTE NO. 9

Miscellaneous

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance as follows:

A. To amend Article V by adding the following words after the words "Home Occupation" in Sections 5-4, 5-6, 5-7:

"...provided there be no alteration in the building involved which affects the exterior appearance"

B. To amend Article III by adding a Section 3-10 as follows:

3-10 Underground Utilities

All utilities including electric, telephone, and other transmission or utility lines shall be installed underground within the boundaries of any residential subdivision or tract of land developed for a use which qualifies for non-residential site plan review by the Planning Board, unless specifically exempted from this requirement by the Board. In the event of the sale of undeveloped lots or tracts of land the responsibility for the provisions of this section will remain with the original developer.

C. To amend Article IV, Section 4-8 Industrial District as follows:

(1) Delete Section 4-8 (A) (8) and substitute therefor the following:

(8) Corporate and business offices compatible with other permitted uses in the district.

(9) Wholesale business and storage.

(10) Storage yards (but not junk yards).

(2) Add new paragraph "E" as follows:

Access to any lot with frontage on Route 101-A shall be by such other streets as are available and not by Route 101-A, unless no other access is available.

(3) Amend Paragraph "D-1" by adding the following:

"...All building and parking areas shall be set back at least one hundred (100) feet from the edge of the Route 101-A right-of-way; this one hundred (100) feet to be landscaped sufficient to maintain a permanent natural vegetation buffer between the highway and the buildings and parking areas along it. No existing building, structure or parking area may be expanded or enlarged within this one hundred (100) foot area.

D. To amend Article V by deleting Section 5-7 in its entirety and substitute therefor the following:

Section 5-7 Uses Permitted by Special Exception in the Commercial District:

(1) Outside recreation establishment exclusive of outdoor theatres.
(2) Outside storage of equipment and materials, but not including junk yards.
(3) Religious uses.
(4) Private schools.
(5) Hospital, nursing homes and other similar uses.

E. To amend Article III by adding to Paragraph "D" of Section 3-4 the following:

(7) Signs shall only be placed on the lot on which the use or establishment being advertised by the sign is being conducted and not on the highway right-of-way.

F. To amend Article III, Section 3-4 by deleting Paragraph "C" in its entirety and substituting therefor the following:

C. In the TC, LC, C and I Districts the following signs shall be permitted: Each business or establishment may advertise by the use of a sign or signs, the total area of which shall not exceed:

Ten (10) square feet in the TC District,
Thirty (30) square feet in the LC District, and
Fifty (50) square feet in the C and I Districts.

In addition to the foregoing there shall be permitted on any lot in the C and I Districts one sign identifying a shopping center, industrial park, or similar grouping of businesses sharing a common group name which shall not exceed fifty (50) square feet. No sign shall have a height exceeding fifteen (15) feet from the ground level to the top of the sign.

Appropriate directional and safety signs are not included in the above square footage limitations.

G. To authorize the Board of Selectmen to re-number all of the Sections of the Zoning Ordinance so that they are numbered consecutively in accordance with the votes taken herein.

AMENDMENT NO. 9

Ballot Question to read:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 9 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows?

To add certain words to the definition of a Home Occupation;
to require new construction to place utilities underground;
to revise certain "Industrial District" regulations;
to provide Special Exceptions for the "Commercial District";
to require signs to be completely off the highway right-of-way;

to adopt new size requirements for commercial signs; and to renumber sections of the ordinance as necessary.

YES ☐ NO ☐

BY PETITION

To amend the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Amherst and the Zoning Map incorporated therein by reference, to change the area designated on Property Map No. 6 as Lot 57-1 from "Rural" to "Commercial" District as defined in said Zoning Ordinance.

AMENDMENT NO. 10

Ballot Question to read:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 10 as proposed by petition of the voters for this town?

To amend the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Amherst and the Zoning Map incorporated therein by reference, to change the area designated on Property Map #6 as lot 57-1 from "Rural" to "Commercial" District as defined in said Zoning Ordinance.

YES ☐ NO ☐

To amend the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Amherst and the Zoning Map incorporated therein by reference, to change the areas designated on Property Map No. 6 as Lot 57-2 from "Rural" to "Commercial" District as defined in said Zoning Ordinance.

AMENDMENT NO. 11

Ballot Question to read:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 11 as proposed by petition of the voters for this town?

To amend the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Amherst and the Zoning Map incorporated therein by reference, to change the area designated on Property Map #6 as Lot 57-2 from "Rural" to "Commercial" District as defined in said Zoning Ordinance.

YES ☐ NO ☐

To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning ordinance changing the classification of Lot No. 6-66 of 40 acres, more or less, as it appears on the Town Tax Map from the present classification of "Residential" to the classification of "Commercial" and make the appropriate change to the zoning classification map.

AMENDMENT NO. 12
Ballot Question to read:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 12 as proposed by petition of the voters for this town?

To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning ordinance changing the classification of Lot #6-66 of 40 acres, more or less, as it appears on the Town Tax Map from the present classification of RESIDENTIAL to the classification of COMMERCIAL and make the appropriate change to the zoning classification map.

YES ☐ NO ☐

Article 3.

Shall the provisions of 60:38 allowing absentee ballots for election of Town Officers be adopted by this Town?

YES ☐ NO ☐

Article 4. (By Petition)

Are you in favor of changing the term of the Tax Collector from one year to three years, beginning with the term of the Tax Collector to be elected at next year's regular Town Meeting?

YES ☐ NO ☐

Article 5. (By Petition)

"Shall we (The Town of Amherst) adopt the provision of R.S.A. 72:43b and 43c for expanding exemptions on real estate which provides for a resident sixty-five years of age up to seventy-five, a five thousand dollar exemption; a resident seventy-five years up to eighty, a ten thousand dollar exemption, a resident eighty years of age or older, a twenty thousand dollar exemption, provided that the resident owns

real estate individually or jointly with another or his spouse with whom he has been living for at least five years as man and wife; said resident has a net income of less than seven thousand dollars or combined income with spouse of less than nine thousand dollars; and owns assets of any kind, tangible or intangible, less bonefide encumbrances, not in excess of thirty-five thousand dollars?"

YES ☐ NO ☐

Article 6.

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the semi-annual form of tax billing as provided for under RSA 76:15b to become effective in 1977.

YES ☐ NO ☐

Article 7.

To see if the Town will vote the following by-law:

ENCLOSURE OF SWIMMING POOLS:

Every outdoor swimming pool or family pool shall be completely surrounded by a fence or wall not less than four feet in height which shall be so constructed as not having openings, holes or gaps larger than four inches in any dimension except for doors and gates. If a picket fence is erected or maintained the horizontal dimension shall not exceed four inches. The dwelling house or accessory building may be used as a part of such enclosure.

All gates or doors opening through such enclosure shall be equipped with a self-closing and self-latching device not less than four feet above the ground for keeping the gate or door securely closed at all times when not actually in use. This section shall be applicable to any swimming pools or family pools other than indoor pools which have a minimum depth of 24 inches of water or above ground pools, the sides of which do not exceed forty-eight (48") in height.

The above section shall also apply to above ground

pools, the sides of which exceed 48" in height unless the access to such a pool is by a gate, ladder or door which is capable of being locked so as to prevent access to such pool by an unauthorized person.

It is the intent of this by-law to require the owner of swimming pools to take steps to render their pools safe, so as not to constitute a hazard to children or others who reside or can reasonably be expected to be present in the general vicinity of such pools in an unsupervised fashion.

Accordingly, this ordinance shall NOT apply to any swimming pool which is located more than 500 feet from property of abutting owners *and* 100 feet from any public way in the Town of Amherst.

Any owner of a swimming pool which is located within 500 feet of an abutting owner or 100 feet from any public way in the Town of Amherst who feels that his pool is so situated as not to reasonably constitute a hazard in an unfenced state within the meaning of this By-law may apply to the Board of Selectmen for permission to be relieved of the requirement of complying with this By-law. In such a case the Selectmen shall conduct a hearing after notification to abutting property owners within 500 feet of the applicant's property which shall include the property across highways to determine whether after considering all the circumstances brought to their attention, the Selectmen feel that in their judgment the applicant is entitled to relief herefrom.

If the Selectmen so find, and as a consequence thereof, grant relief to such an applicant, this permission to be relieved of the obligation to comply to this By-law, shall be revocable by the Selectmen at any time that they feel that circumstances warrant.

Failure to comply with the provisions of this By-law shall be punishable by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars ($50.00) for each offense and each day of continuing violation shall constitute a separate offense and the Town of Amherst may enforce this order by appropriate injunctive proceedings to Superior Court.

The effective date of this By-law is 6/1/1977.

The Ballot Question on this article will read:

Do you favor the By-law requiring the fencing of all outdoor swimming pools?

YES ☐ NO ☐

Article 8.

To raise such monies as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

Article 9.

To see if the Town will give the Selectmen and the Town Treasurer the authority to borrow money in anticipation of tax receipts.

Article 10.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Funds established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 for the use as setoffs against budgeted appropriations for the following priority purposes and in amounts indicated or take action relative thereto.

Appropriation	*Amount*
Town office equipment	$2,260
Town Hall Renovations	2,365
Recreation Director	4,550
Police, Extra Patrolman	7,400
Fire Department Tanker	3,600
	$20,175

Article 11.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of fifteen hundred dollars ($1500.00) to purchase books for the Amherst Library and to authorize the withdrawal of the amount required for this purpose from the Revenue Sharing Funds established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 or take action relative thereto.

Article 12.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $8,000.00 for the purchase of a new 1½ ton Highway truck and to authorize the withdrawal of the amount required for this purpose from the Revenue Sharing Funds established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 or take action relative thereto.

Article 13.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of forty-five hundred dollars ($4500.00) for the purchase of a Police Cruiser and to authorize the withdrawal of the amount required for this purpose from the Revenue Sharing Funds established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 or take action relative thereto.

Article 14.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $3000.00 to complete the construction and equipment for the South Amherst Fire Station and to authorize the withdrawal of the amount required for this purpose for the interest earned on the invested funds as set forth in Article 15 of 1974.

Article 15.

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the surplus account as per RSA Chapter 35:11 the sum of Eighteen ($18,000) thousand Dollars for the purpose as hereinafter set forth

a) $15,000 to a highway Capital Reserve Fund to provide for the orderly replacement of Highway Motor Vehicles

b) $3000 to a Civil Preparedness (Ambulance Rescue Squad) Capital Reserve Fund to provide for the orderly replacement of (Ambulance Rescue Squad) motor Vehicles

and that the Selectmen be directed to carry out the intent of this article or take action relative thereto.

Article 16. (Conservation Commission)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000) to purchase the so-called Whitcomb Land, lying between Joe English Brook Reservation and the Plumb Memorial Forest, for the purpose of conservation or take action relative thereto.

Article 17. (By Petition)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000) for the construction of two public tennis courts to be located on the School District Middle School land on Cross Road, and to take the necessary steps to apply for and to receive Federal Funds for the reimbursement of 50% of the funds so raised and appropriated, and said appropriation is contingent upon receipt of Federal Funds or take action relative thereto.

Article 18.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5000 for completion of the Master Plan as authorized by the Town Meeting of March 1974, such funds to be committed and expended by the Planning Board for such professional services and materials as it deems necessary.

Article 19.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $3,790 to be expended by the Bicentennial Committee to provide completion of the 1976 local Bicentennial Celebration Program, $1,895 to be provided from income from planned activities, the balance $1,895 from tax dollars or take action relative thereto.

Article 20.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $7200 to rebuild the World War I Common as a commemorative project to the 1976 Bicentennial Celebration or take action thereto.

Article 21.

To see if the Town wishes to exclude from the plan service in any class or classes of positions of election officials or election workers for a calendar quarter in which the remuneration paid for each service is less than $50.00.

Article 22.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars ($1700.00) to provide for the installation of a protective Fire Alarm System to include a communication tie-in to the Milford Control Center at the Central Fire Station and to authorize the Selectmen to embark on a program to provide similar coverage for other Town Buildings until similar protection is provided for all buildings, or take action relative thereto.

Article 23.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Twenty-eight thousand dollars ($28,000) and authorize the withdrawal of the amount from surplus for the purpose of providing the necessary funds to institute a retirement program to include all eligible officers and employees, to take action relative thereto.

Article 24.

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Regional Refuse District Agreement now existing between the Town of Amherst and Brookline, Hollis and Mont Vernon, the remaining towns comprising the Souhegan Regional Landfill District: by adding

The Souhegan Regional Landfill District Agreement is hereby amended by adding to that Agreement, the following new Subsection IV (D):

The Committee may, on behalf of the District, vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund for the construction or acquisition of specific items or types of capital improvements or equipment required by the District. In the event of such a vote, such Fund shall be invested in the same manner as capital reserve funds of towns under RSA 35:9, and the members of the Committee shall serve as trustees and have custody of such fund. Such trustees shall give bond in such amount and in such form as the state board of taxation shall prescribe. The proposed annual contributions to the Capital Reserve Fund shall be set forth in the budget of the District, and the trustees shall annually within three months of the close of the fiscal year of the District file an account with the Selectmen of the towns comprising the District setting forth the amounts held by the trustees, the manner in which they are invested, and the purposes for which they are held.

The trustees may, from time to time, vote to expend any funds held by them for the purchase of items or types of capital improvements or equipment required by the District without further vote of the towns comprising the District.

Article 25.

To see if the Town will vote to empower the Board of Selectmen in their discretion and according to such time and conditions as they see fit to grant and convey to such parties as they deem appropriate, the following described drainage easements or take action relative thereto:

A. The easement and right to maintain water flowage from "Four Seasons" development as it now exists from a point on the Amherst-Merrimack town line, said point being located westerly of Lot 79 on "Plat of Lots, Four Seasons Estates, Merrimack, N. H." dated June 25, 1973, by William C. MacAdam, R.L.S., recorded in the Hillsborough County Registry of Deeds as Plan No. 6817, to and through the existing eighteen inch (18") corrugated metal pipe located easterly of property of William and Dorothy Bonner to the easterly boundary line of said Bonner property, together with the right to enter said premises at reasonable times to remove any debris or other matter that may obstruct said flow.

B. The easement and right to continue to flow surface water from "Four Seasons" development through existing swale as water now runs to Baboosic Lake, said easement commencing at the Amherst-Merrimack town line at a point easterly of Lot 58 on "Plat of Lots, Four Seasons Estates, Merrimack, N. H." dated June 25, 1973, by William C. MacAdam, R.L.S., recorded in the Hillsborough County Registry of Deeds as Plan No. 6817, and crosses the south end of Lot 61 on Property Map, Town of Amherst, Hillsborough County, New Hampshire, prepared by James W. Sewall Company, dated April 1, 1973, together with the right to enter said premises at reasonable times to remove any debris or other matter that may obstruct said flow.

Given under our hand and seal this 13th day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-six.

FRANCIS N. PERRY
EDWARD C. MASTEN
ROBERT LOWN
Selectmen of Amherst

A true copy of the Warrant — Attest:

FRANCIS N. PERRY
EDWARD C. MASTEN
ROBERT LOWN
Selectmen of Amherst

Budget

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	Approp. Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Expenditures Previous Fiscal Year	Approp. Ensuing Fiscal Year 1976
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	$ 10,950.00	$ 10,750.00	$ 13,100.00
Town Officers' Expenses	31,200	44,735.77	38,344.00
Election & Registration Expenses	2,000.00	1,386.84	3,000.00
Town Hall & other Town Bldgs.	12,130.00	10,253.06	15,353.00
Employees' Retirement & Soc. Sec.	12,600.00	8,836.72	21,025.00
Contingency Fund	5,000.00	2,013.97	5,000.00
Protection of Persons & Property:			
Police Department	97,141.00	106,113.49	122,413.00
Fire Department	35,556.00	29,581.59	53,580.00
Care of Trees	3,350.00	2,586.20	3,000.00
Insurance	26,000.00	25,581.74	31,960.00
Planning & Zoning	18,080.00	24,224.78	29,130.00
Damages & Legal Expense	5,720.00	7,886.26	9,375.00
Civil Defense	5,380.00	6,965.16	1,185.00
Health Department	4,106.00	4,505.33	10,235.00
Vital Statistics	150.00	68.00	100.00
Town Dump & Garbage Removal	44,599.00	9,800.00	
Highways and Bridges:			
Town Maint. — Summer & Winter	210,834.66	205,585.13	237,521.77
Street Lighting	4,645.00	5,207.97	5,800.00
General Expenses of Highway Dept.	21,575.00	28,017.75	24,520.00
Town Road Aid	2,010.00	2,010.00	2,111.98
Libraries:	31,296.00	31,296.00	38,115.00
Public Welfare:			
Town Poor	10,500.00	4,463.17	9,500.00
Old Age Assistance	2,500.00	3,869.14	6,000.00
Patriotic Purposes	1,500.00	3,872.79	2,965.00
Recreation	18,945.00	22,473.18	33,847.00

	Approp. Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Expenditures Previous Fiscal Year	Approp. Ensuing Fiscal Year 1976
Public Service Enterprises:			
Municipal Water — Electric Utilities	1,875.00	1,875.00	1,875.00
Cemeteries	10,100.00	10,022.79	8,234.00
Debt Service:			
Interest — Long Term Notes & Bonds	24,300.00	14,391.10	16,000.00
Capital Outlay:			
Landfill	34,799.00	34,799.00	40,883.95
Art. 17 Chipper	6,000.00	5,556.00	
Art. 18 Cruiser	4,259.42		
Art. 19 Ambulance	25,000.00	24,769.05	
Art. 20 Fire Truck	37,000.00	36,995.00	
Art. 21 Bicentennial	1,500.00	2,038.79	
Art. 22 Tennis Courts	16,500.00	1,586.35	
Art. 25 Fire House	67,578.00	62,979.68	
1976 Proposed Articles TOTAL			120,690.00
Payment to Capital Reserve Funds		48,933.00	
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	$811,880.08	$846,039.80	$904,863.70

Budget

	Estimated Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Fiscal Year 1976
From State:			
Interest & Dividends Tax	$ 70,000.00	$ 82,228.83	$ 82,000.00
Savings Bank Tax	7,200.00	8,562.96	8,500.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	33,000.00	43,207.95	43,000.00
Highway Subsidy (Cl. IV & V)	35,534.66	35,534.66	36.036.77
Reim. a-c Business Profits Tax (Town Portion)	1,875.00	1,875.00	1,969.00
From Local Sources:			
Dog Licenses	2,600.00	2,653.40	2,600.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	150.00	370.56	200.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	90,000.00	111,179.86	125,000.00
Interest on Taxes & Deposits	14,500.00	29,121.62	25,000.00
Income from Trust Funds	5,100.00	5,267.43	4,200.00
Withdrawal Capital Reserve Funds		19,500.00	
Fines & Forfeits — Municipal	275.00	330.00	300.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	150.00	659.10	400.00
Resident Taxes Retained	33,200.00	36,180.00	36,200.00
Normal Yield Taxes Assessed	750.00	2,190.49	500.00
Rent of Town Property	1,500.00	3,575.00	5,400.00
Income from Departments	17,515.00	37,374.20	34,445.00
Gas Tax Refund		4,384.92	1,200.00
From Federal Sources:			869.58
Revenue Sharing	18,198.00	26,419.00	32,872.00
Federal Grant		10,970.45	20,300.90
TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES	334,047.66	461,585.43	460,993.26
Amount to be raised by Property Taxes	285,196.00	357,195.02	443,870.44
TOTAL REVENUES	$619,243.66	$818,780.45	$904,863.70

Summary Inventory of Valuation

		1975	1974
Land		**$29,289,480	$30,497,350
Buildings		65,599,630	61,023,640
Factory Buildings		493,500	491,070
Public Water Utility		110,300	110,300
Public Utility — Gas		494,450	
Public Utility — Electric		1,096,650	1,372,199
CATV			
House Trailers	(53)	143,840	150,760
Boats	(48)	30,003	27,318
Total Valuation Before Exemption		97,257,853	93,687,567
Elderly Exemptions	(41)	167,500	127,510
Blind Exemption	(1)	5,000	5,000
Net Valuation on which Tax Rate is Computed		$97,085,353	$93,540,067

**Reflects Land Use Exemptions

1. Total of all land valuation, improved and unimproved land (RSA 75:11), **before** application of Current Use $34,309,040

Itemization of Qualifying Current Use, Acreages & Assessments

Land Categories	No. of Acres	Assessed Value RSA 75:1	Current Use Value Chapter 372 Laws of 1973
Permanent Pasture	454	382,035	45,400
Forage Crops	420	272,883	127,650
Horticultural Crops	85	54,577	2,960
Forest Lands	5881	4,127,163	205,520
Wild Lands			
Recreation Lands			
Wetlands	656	436,612	6,560
Flood Plains			
Inactive Farm Land	221	163,730	29,350
Discretionary Easements			
Totals	7,717	$5,437,000	$ 417,440
			$5,019,560
			$29,289,480

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1975

Title of Appropriation	Appro-priation	+ or — Income	Amount Avail.	Expended	Over	Under	Esti-mated 1976
General Government							
Town officers' salaries	$ 10,950.00	$	$ 10,950.00	$ 10,750.00+	$	$ 200.00	$13,100.00
Town office expense	29,200.00	2,748.96*#	31,948.96	31,643.72		305.24	36,344.00
Elections	2,000.00	33.00	2,033.00	1,758.84+		274.16	3,000.00
Legal	3,500.00		3,500.00	6,083.87	2,583.87		6,000.00
Insurance	26,000.00	1,127.00	27,127.00	25,581.74		1,545.26	31,960.00
S.S. & Retirement	12,600.00		12,600.00	12,367.50**		232.50	21,025.00
Mapping	2,000.00	158.20	2,158.20	1,264.05		894.15	2,000.00
Town Buildings							
Town Hall	5,500.00	150.00	5,650.00	5,631.70		18.30	9,259.00
Brick School	6,630.00	75.00	6,555.00	4,633.76		1,921.24	6,094.00
Protection of Persons and Property							
Police	87,641.00	14,331.43*	101,972.43	98,073.21+		3,899.27	111,438.00
Fire	35,556.00	1,728.01	37,284.01	41,581.59	4,297.58		53,580.00
Civil Defense	5,380.00	800.00	6,180.00	6,965.16	785.16		1,185.00
Dogs	2,220.00		2,220	1,248.64		971.36	3,375.00
Communication	9,500.00		9,500.00	8,922.28		577.72	10,975.00

Title of Appropriation	Appro-priation	+ or — Income	Amount Avail.	Expended	Over	Under	Esti-mated 1976
Hydrant rental	1,875.00		1,875.00	1,875.00			1,875.00
Tree Care	3,350.00		3,350.00	2,736.20		613.80	3,000.00
Street lights	4,645.00	16.72*	4,661.72	5,207.94	546.22		5,800.00
Conservation	1,070.00	617.50	1,687.50	1,609.53		77.97	1,500.00
Planning & Zoning							
Board of Adjustment	700.00		700.00	426.80		273.20	1,000.00
Planning board	3,090.00	235.63	2,854.37	3,289.07	434.70		4,800.00
Zoning administrator	13,090.00	8,308.75*	21,398.75	13,715.08		7,683.67	22,130.00
Nashua regional	1,200.00		1,200.00	1,151.00		49.00	1,200.00
Health & Welfare							
Board of health	500.00	300.00#	800.00	800.00			500.00
Souhegan Nursing	1,500.00		1,500.00	1,500.00			1,500.00
Nashua mental health	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00			1,000.00
Ambulance	1,106.00		1,106.00	1,105.33		67	7,235.00
Vital statistics	150.00		150.00	68.00		82.00	100.00
O.A.A.	2,500.00		2,500.00	3,869.14	1,369.14		6,000.00
Town poor	10,000.00	1,927.63	11,927.63	4,463.17		7,464.46	9,000.00
Vet's Aid	500.00		500.00			500.00	500.00
Library	31,296.00		31,296.00	31,296.00			38,115.00

Highway & Bridges							
General expense	21,575.00	2,720.35	24,295.35	28,017.75	3,722.40		24,520.00
Winter maintenance	73,700.00	696.92	74,396.92	74,225.26		171.66	88,637.00
Summer maintenance	36,900.00	929.55	37,829.55	34,151.14		3,678.41	47,428.00
Oiling	49,700.00		49,700.00	49,697.14		2.86	50,420.00
Road improvement	12,000.00		12,000.00	12,000.00			12,000.00
TRA	2,010.00		2,010.00	2,010.00			2,111.98
Gas subsidy	35,534.66		35,534.66	35,511.59		23.07**	36,036.77
Grader fund	3,000.00		3,000.00	3,000.00			3,000.00
Parks	4,700.00	21.40	4,721.40	5,247.98	526.58		5,720.00
Cemeteries	10,100.00		10,100.00	10,022.79		77.21	8,234.00
Dump	9,800.00	215.00	10,015.00	9,661.80		353.20	00.00
Recreation							
Recreation Comm.	4,675.00	1,707.92*	6,382.92	5,595.17+		787.75	13,820.00
Baboosic	8,500.00	390.00	8,890.00	8,541.50		348.50	12,807.00
Patriotic Purposes							
Memorial Day	500.00	36.00#	536.00	536.00			600.00
4th of July	1,000.00	130.00	1,130.00	1,298.00	168.00		2,365.00

Title of Appropriation	Appro-priation	+ or — Income	Amount Avail.	Expended	Over	Under	Esti-mated 1976
Debt Service Int.	24,300.00		24,300.00	14,391.10		9,908.90	16,000.00
Capital Outlay							
Contingency		1,513.11#	3,486.89	2,013.97		1,472.92	5,000.00
TOTAL	$619,243.66	$37,270.60	$656,514.26	$626,539.51	$14,433.65	$44,408.40	$743,289.75
						—14,433.65	
Total unexpended						29,974.75	

Transfer from Contingency
+ Includes Accounts Payable

Art. No. 4 of '73							
Landfill	5,910.14	4,547.00	10,457.14	4,547.00			
Transferred		—5,910.14					
Art. No. 11 of '73							
Appraisal	2,749.00	3,524.00	6,273.00	6,273.00			
Art. No. 12 of '73							
Conservation	10,500.00		10,500.00	4,400.00		6,100.00**	
Art. 4 of '74							
Cruiser	4,000.00	106.88	4,106.88	4,106.88			
Art. 11 of '74 truck	252.89						
transferred		—252.89					
Art. 13 of '74 Landfill	40,476.63	5,266.70	45,743.33	11,851.12		33,892.21**	
Art. 18 of '74 Bicent.	2,117.73	921.06#	3,038.79	2,028.79		1,000.00**	

Art. 19 of '74 Planning	6,255.40		6,255.40	5,642.83	612.57**
Art. 15 of '74 Fire Sta.	63,418.00	3,445.97	66,863.97	62,979.68	3,884.29**
Art. 18 of '75 Cruiser	4,259.42			0.00	4,259.42**
Art. 20 of '75 Fire trk.	37,000.00		37,000.00	36,995.00	5.00**
Art. 22 of '75 Tennis	16,500.00		16,500.00	1,586.35	14,913.65**
Art. 12 of '75 Chipper	6,000.00		6,000.00	5,566.00	434.00**
Art. 19 of '75 Ambulance	25,000.00		25,000.00	24,769.05	230.95**
Art. 25 of '75	67,578.00		67,578.00	0.00	67,578.00**
Town Clerks Account				6,136.02	
Trustees of Trust Fund				33,933.00	
Taxes bought				104,403.55	
Abatements				12.560.13	
Precinct Tax				6,859.95	
County of Hillsboro				112,868.30	
Yield				632.03	
Souhegan land fill				17,399.50	
Temporary Loans		835,000.00		835,000.00	
Adjustment Accounts		5,160.00		5,160.00	
School Dist. 1974				1,235,821.22	
1975				708,000.00	
(Due $1,489,902.02)					

* Includes Accounts Receivable
** Earmarked Funds

Statement of Appropriations and Taxes Assessed and Tax Rate

Town Officers' Salaries	$ 10,950 00
Town Officers' Expenses	29,200 00
Election & Registration Expenses	2,000 00
Town Hall & Other Town Bldgs.	12,130 00
Employees' Retirement & Social Security	12,600 00
Contingency Fund	5,000 00
Police Department	97,141 00
Fire Dept., Forest Fires	35,556 00
Car of Trees	3,350 00
Insurance	26,000 00
Planning & Zoning	20,080 00
Damages & Legal Expenses	5,720 00
Civilian Defense	5,380 00
Health Department	4,106 00
Vital Statistics	150 00
Town Dump & Garbage Collection	9,800 00
Town Maintenance – Summer & Winter	172,300 00
Street Lighting	4,645 00
General Expenses of Highway Dept.	21,575 00
Town Road Aid	2,010 00
Libraries	31,296 00
Town Poor	10,500 00
Old Age Assistance	2,500 00
Patriotic Purposes	1,500 00
Recreation	18,945 00
Municipal Water – Electric Utilities	1,875 00
Cemeteries	10,100 00
Gas Subsidy	35,534 66
Grader Fund	3,000 00
Interest	24,300 00
	$619,243 66
Souhegan Landfill	34,799 00
	$654,042 66

Capital Outlay:		
Article 25 – Fire Dept. Truck	$67,578 00	
Article 17 – Chipper	6,000 00	
Article 18 – Cruiser	4,259 42	
Article 19 – Ambulance	25,000 00	
Article 20 – Fire Truck	37,000 00	
Article 21 – Bicentennial	1,500 00	
Article 22 – Tennis Courts	16,500 00	
		$ 157,837 42
Total Town Appropriations		$ 811,880 08

Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits

Interest & Dividends Tax	$82,228 83	
Savings Bank Tax	8,562 96	
Meals & Rooms Tax	43,207 00	
Reimbursement a/c State & Federal Lands	10 00	
Revenue from Yield Tax Sources	1,569 17	
Interest Received on Taxes	12,916 71	
Interest Received on Deposits	13,842 91	
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	8,381 88	
Dog Licenses	2,508 00	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	96,883 94	
Rent of Town Property & Equip.	1,055 00	
So. Dist. Fure Fund Res.	6,000 00	
Capital Revenue Fire Truck	35,060 00	
Fines & Forfeits – Municipal Court	250 00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	601 10	
Resident Taxes	39,960 00	
Surplus	32,518 00	
Revenue Sharing (Contra)	25,759 00	
Highway Subsidy	35,534 66	
Income from Departments	7,871 90	
Total Revenues & Credits		$ 454,721 06
Net Town Appropriations		$ 357,159 02

Net School Appropriations	2,197,902 02
County Tax Assessment	112,868 30
Total of Town, School & County	$2,667,929 34
Deduct: Total Bus. Profits Tax Reimb.	−21,981 00
Add: War Service Tax Credits	+31,250 00
Add: Overlay	+116,918 11
Property Taxes to be Raised	$2,794,116 45

Tax Rates (per thousand)

Unit of Government	Rate
Municipal	$ 5.19
County	1.15
School	22.44
	$28.78
Amherst Village District	.61

Balance Sheet

ASSETS

Cash:		
In hands of Treasurer (Schedule A)	$1,260,178 41	
In hands of Officials (Schedule J)	1,246 91	
Total		$1,261,425 32
Capital Reserve Funds:		
Fire District	$ 3,580 00	
Fire Truck	70,020 40	
Grader	6,785 67	
Recreation	1,683 57	
Total		82,069 64
Accounts Due to the Town:		
(a) Schedule B — Accounts Receivable	$6,383 37	
Total		6,383 37
Unredeemed Taxes:		
(b) Levy of 1974	$66,024 65	
(c) Levy of 1973	6,441 59	
(d) Previous Years	525 00	
Total		72,991 24
Uncollected Taxes:		
(a) Levy of 1975, including Resident Taxes	$501,910 24	
(b) Levy of 1974	621 62	
Total		502,531 86
Total Assets		$1,925,401 43
Current Surplus, Dec. 31, 1974		$ 123,685 81
Current Surplus, Dec. 31, 1975		249,029 01
Increase of Surplus — Change in Financial Condition		$ 125,343 20

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town:	
Bills Outstanding (Schedule C)	$ 2,202 75
Unexpended Balances of Special Appropriations (Schedule E)	65,332 09
Unexpended Revenue Sharing Funds	9,520 96
Performance Guarantee (Bond) Deposits	3,829 27
Escrow Account	2,088 38
School District Taxes Payable	1,489,902 02
Other Liabilities:	
Schedule D	3,627 85
Souhegan Regional Land Fill	17,799 50
Total Accounts Owed by the Town	$1,594,302 87
Capital Reserve Funds	82,069 64
Total Liabilities	$1,676,372 42
Current Surplus (Excess of Assets over Liabilities)	249,029 01
Grand Total	$1,925,401 43

STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT

December 31, 1975

NONE

SCHEDULE A

Cash in the hands of the Treasurer		
Cash on deposit in General Fund	$ 73,951	77
Certificates of Deposit		
Surplus Town Funds Invested	1,087,236	43
Savings Accounts –		
Ginrik Escrow Account plus Interest	2,088	38
Bon Terrain Account plus Interest	3,829	27
Surplus Town Funds plus Interest	75,673	82
Revenue Sharing plus Interest	17,398	74
	$1,260,178	41

SCHEDULE B
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Manpower – Recreational Grant	$ 793 72	
Manpower – Winter Maintenance	661 92	
Trustees of Trust Fund	1,550 00	
State of N.H., Police Grant	3,377 73	
		$ 6,383 37

SCHEDULE C
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

E. C. Masten – T.O. Selectman	$ 25	00
Town of Hudson – Election	372	00
Economy Supply – T.H.	12	40
Town of Hudson – C.D.P.	728	00
Collins Tree Service	150	00
J. Somers – Recreation	107	35
Llewellyn	10	00
Peters Gun Shop	798	00
	$ 2,202	75

SCHEDULE D
EARMARKED FUNDS

Employee Retirement	$ 3,530	78
Police Gift	74	00
Gas Subsidy	23	07
	$ 3,627	85

SCHEDULE E

Art. 12, 1973 Conservation Comm. Land		$ 6,100 00	
Art. 13, 1974	Land Fill Property	33,892 21	
Art. 15, 1974	Fire Station	3,884 29	
Art. 17, 1975	Wood Chipper	434 00	
Art. 18, 1975	Cruiser	4,259 42	
Art. 19, 1974	Master Planning	612 57	
Art. 19, 1975	Ambulance	230 95	
Art. 20, 1975	Fire Truck	5 00	
Art. 21, 1975	Bicentennial	1,000 00	
Art. 22, 1975	Tennis Courts	14,913 65	
		————	$65,332 09

SCHEDULE F
NEW ESCROW ACCOUNT

Ginrick – Gravel Bed	$ 1,500 00	
Bon Terrain	3,800 00	
	————	$ 5,300 00

SCHEDULE G
GIFTS TO SPECIAL SAVINGS

Conservation Account	$ 831 00	
Baboosic Deck Account	498 00	
	————	$ 1,329 00

SCHEDULE H
OTHER CURRENT MAINT. EXP.

Town Clerk Office	$ 6,136 02	
Contingency	2,013 97	
S.R.L.F.	4,547 00	
Congregational church	1,360 00	
Boston & Main Crossing	3,800 00	
Discount, abatement & refunds	12,560 13	
	————	$30,417 12

SCHEDULE I

Town Poor Recovery	$ 2,911 18	
Souhegan Land Fill – Rent	6,547 00	
Unknown Source	100 00	
Returned Checks	165 05	
Painting of Church	1,360 00	
Bon Terrain Crossing	3,875 00	
		$14,958 23
Cash in Hands of Officials		
Tax Deposit not credited	$ 1,196 91	
Petty Cash	50 00	
		$ 1,246 91

Receipts and Payments

Current Revenue:		
From Local Taxes:		
Property Taxes, current yr., 1975	$2,261,779 00	
Resident Taxes, current yr., 1975	29,890 00	
Nat'l. Bank Stock Taxes, current yr., 1975	659 10	
Yield Taxes, current yr., 1975 (	2,190 49	
Total Current Year's Taxes Collected and Remitted		$2,294,518 59
Property Taxes & Yield Taxes, prev. yrs.		427,867 11
Resident Taxes, prev. yrs.		6,290 00
Interest received on Delinquent Taxes		13,926 67
Penalties: Resident Taxes 551		551 00
Tax Sales redeemed		41,409 96
		$2,784,563 33
From State:		
Highway Subsidy		35,534 63
Interest & Dividends Tax		82,228 83
Savings Bank Tax		8,562 96
Fighting Forest Fires		15 96
Meals & Rooms Tax		43,207 95
Reimbursements a-c Business Profits Tax		21,982 70
From Local Sources, Except Taxes:		
Dog Licenses		2,653 40
Business licenses, permits & filing fees		17,277 12
Fines & Forfeits, municipal & district court		330 00
Rent of Town Property		1,575 00
Interest received on deposits		19,523 14
Income from Trust Funds		3,667 43
Income from Departments		17,392 08
Motor Vehicle Permits		111,179 86
Total Current Revenue Receipts		$3,149,694 36
Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:		
Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes	$835,000 00	
Insurance adjustments	52 26	
Gifts	1,088 00	
New Trust Funds received during year	1,415 00	
Withdrawals from Capital Reserve Funds	19,500 00	
Sale of town property	1,250 00	

Grants from U.S.A.:		
Revenue Sharing	26,419 00	
Interest on Investments of Revenue Sharing Funds	869 59	
Governor's Commission on Crime & Delinquency	4,282 03	
Emergency Employment Act	1,688 32	
All other Receipts	5,300 00	
Gas Refund	4,384 92	
Schedule I	14,958 23	
Gifts, Schedule G	1,329 00	
Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue		4,067,230 71
United Appraisal Check Returned		3,524 00
Total Receipts from All Sources		$4,070,754 71
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1975		1,060,274 56
Grand Total		$5,131,029 27

Current Maintenance Expenses:	
General Government:	
Town Officers' Salaries	$ 10,725 00
Town Officers' Expenses	30,925 72
Election & Registration Expenses	1,386 84
Expenses Town Hall & other Town Bldgs.	10,253 06
Reappraisal of Property	6,273 00
Protection of Persons and Property:	
Police Department	106,113 49
Fire Dept., including Forest Fires	29,581 59
Moth Extermination — Blister Rust and Care of Trees	2,586 20
Planning & Zoning	24,224 78
Insurance	25,581 74
Civil Defense	6,965 16
Conservation Commission	1,609 53
Health:	
Health Department, including Hospitals & Ambulance	4,505 33
Vital Statistics	68 00
Town Dumps & Garbage Removal	27,061 30

Highways and Bridges:		
Town Road Aid	2,010 00	
Town Maintenance	205,585 13	
Street Lighting	5,207 94	
General Expenses of Highway Dept.	28,017 75	
Libraries:		
Libraries	31,296 00	
Public Welfare:		
Old Age Assistance	3,869 14	
Town Poor	4,463 17	
Patriotic Purposes:		
Memorial Day, Veteran's Associations and Old Home Day	3,872 79	
Recreation:		
Parks & Playgrounds, including Band Concerts	20,863 65	
Public Service Enterprises:		
Municipal Water & Electric Depts.	1,875 00	
Cemeteries, including Hearse Hire	10,022 79	
Unclassified:		
Damages and Legal Expenses	7,886 26	
Taxes bought by Town	104,403 55	
Employees' Retirement & Social Security	8,836 72	
All Other Current Maint. Expenses	30,417 12	
Total Current Maintenance Expenses		$ 756,967 27
Escrow to Pay Yield Taxes	479 52	
Debt Service:		
Interest on Debt:		
Paid on Tax Anticipation Notes	11,679 82	
Paid on Long Term Notes	2,711 28	
Total Interest Payments		14,391 10
Principal of Debt:		
Payments on Tax Anticipation Notes	835,000 00	
Payments on Long Term Notes	11,297 37	
Total Principal Payments		846,297 37

Capital Outlay:		
Lands and Buildings	67,379 68	
New Equipment	71,436 93	
Payments to Capital Reserve Funds	48,933 00	
Tax Maps	1,264 05	
Total Outlay Payments		189,013 66
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:		
Payments to State a-c 2% Bond and Debt Retirement Taxes	632 03	
Taxes Paid to County	112,868 30	
Payments to Precincts	6,859 91	
Payments to School Districts (1974 Tax $1,235,821.22) (1975 Tax $708,000.00)	1,943,821 22	
Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions		2,064,181 46
Total Payments for All Purposes		3,870,850 86
Cash on Hand Dec. 31, 1975		1,260,178 41
Grand Total		$5,131,029 27

Schedule of Long Term Indebtedness

As of December 31, 1975

Long Term Notes Outstanding: Arnold Land for Landfill		
Total Long Term Notes Outstanding		$45,189 58
Outstanding Long Term Debt – December 31, 1974		$45,189 58
Debt Retirement During Fiscal Year: a. Long Term Notes Paid	$11,297 37	
Total		11,297 37
Outstanding Long Term Debt – December 31, 1975		$33,892 21

Schedule of Town Property

	1975
Town Hall Land & Bldgs.	$180,000
Equipment	30,000
Library Land & Bldg.	179,500
Equipment	47,000
Police Dept. Equipment	25,000
Fire Dept. Land & Bldg. V	89,300
Equipment	148,200
Highway Dept. Land & Bldg.	23,200
Equipment	121,000
Parks, Commons & Playgrounds	5,000
Brick School	155,000
Equipment	2,000
Annex	29,800
Cemetery Tool Houses	5,300
Equipment	6,000
Rescue & Amb. Equipment	35,000
Baboosic Lake Land & Bldg.	50,000
Equipment	3,000
Town Dump	2,120
Baboosic Dump	1,990
Sanitary Landfill Land	85,000
So. Fire Station	55,500
Conservation Land:	
Sherburne Cons. Land	1,000
Joe English Brook Reserv.	30,000
20 Associates Land	40,000
Odell Meadow	1,400
Boissonault Land	8,500
Plum Land	4,300
Erickson Land	1,440
Bartlett Land	800
Wilkins Land	200
The Meadows Cons. Land	3,500

Tax Deeds:

Brown Lot	500
Goodwin Bldg.	100
Chandler Lot	100
Melendy Lot	100
White Lot	1,090
Gelinis Lot	960
Broadway Lot	2,330
Brooks Land	1,780
Glover Land	1,520
Jones Lot	200
Nash Land	150
Yankee Homes Land	500
Yankee Homes Land	150
Thibodeau	300
Yankee Homes	100

Report of Town Clerk

For the Year Ending December 31, 1975

Auto Permits (1974)	$ 2,184 77
Auto Permits (1975)	108,995 09
Paid Treasurer	$111,179 86

Dog Account

6	Kennel Licenses	
41	Part Year Lic.	
1107	1975 Lic.	
1154	Total	$ 2,861 00
	Paid Clerk	207 60
	Paid Treasurer	$ 2,653 40

Notice to Owners and Keepers of Dogs

Every owner or keeper of a dog shall annually on or before the 30th day of April, cause it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed for one year from the first day of May, in the office of the Town Clerk wherein said dog is kept, and shall cause it to wear around its neck a collar distinctly marked with a registered number.

All dogs must be vaccinated against rabies in the state's attempt to prevent the spread of this killing disease.

Male or spayed dogs, $2.00; female dogs, $5.00; $1.00 penalty if not paid before June 1st.

An untagged dog is a stray dog and may be picked up by the dog officer and taken to the Town pound.

Report all lost or found dogs to the Police Department.

A fine of $100.00 shall be levied on dog owners or keepers answering falsely or refusing to answer. (RSA 466:43)

Respectfully submitted,
BERNICE G. BOOTHROYD, Town Clerk

December 31, 1975

Report of Tax Collector

SUMMARY OF WARRANT
1975 Property, Yield and Bank Stock

Committed to Collector:		
Property	$2,769,881 69	
Yield	2,190 49	
Bank Stock	659 10	
		$2,772,731 28
Added Property		8,993 85
Land Use Recovery		150 00
Overpayments		41 96
Interest Collected		289 21
Total		$2,782,206 30
Remitted to Treasurer:		
Property Taxes	$2,261,779 00	
Yield Taxes	2,190 49	
Bank Stock	659 10	
Interest	289 21	
		$2,264,917 80
Property Taxes paid in 1974		120 00
Cash on Hand – 1975 Property		1,196 91
Abated per List		22,231 35
Uncollected per List		493,740 24
Total		$2,782,206 30

SUMMARY OF WARRANT
1975 Resident

Committed	$ 39,960 00
Added	540 00
Penalties	34 00
Total	$ 40,534 00

Remitted	$29,890 00	
Penalties	34 00	
	——————$	29,924 00
Abated		2,440 00
Uncollected		8,170 00
		———————
Total	$	40,534 00

SUMMARY OF WARRANT – 1974

Uncollected 1-1-75 property	$428,930 05	
Cash on Hand	186 09	
Uncollected Yield	1,078 31	
	——————$	430,194 45
Added Property 1975	$1,061 29	
Bank Stock	273 30	
Overpayment	538 11	
Land Use Recovery	650 00	
Interest Collected	11,891 82	
	———————	14,414 52
		———————
Total	$	444,608 97
Remitted to Treasurer:		
Property Taxes	$425,321 14	
Bank Stock	273 30	
Yield Taxes	1,069 30	
Land Use Recovery	650 00	
Interest	11,891 82	
	——————$	439,205 56
Abated per list		5,071 76
Uncollected Yield Horace Thomas		9 01
Uncollected Property:		
Ted Powers	$ 68 01	
Fred Carkin	254 63	
	———————	322 64
		———————
Total	$	444,608 97

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

1974 Resident Tax

Uncollected 1-1-75	$8,380 00
Added 1975	750 00
	$9,130 00
Penalties Collected	516 00
Total	$9,646 00

Remitted	$6,280 00
Penalties	516 00
Uncollected	290 00
Abated per list	2,560 00
	$9,646 00

UNCOLLECTED — 1974 Resident Taxes

Anderson, Carolyn
Carter, James
Goodwin, Clayton
Goodwin, Clyde
Grant, Kathleen
Greaney, Sharron
Holbrook, Doris
Holebrook, William
Kuhn, Walter Jr.
Kuhn, Jean
Kulik, Adam
Lehr, Mark
Lehr, Thomas
Levesque, Elizabeth
Levesque, Paul
Browning, George III
Burns, Stephen
Clark, Marion
Huntington, Florrie
MacLeod, Stephen
Mannoogian, Debbie
Manoogian, Gary
Miller, Gayle
Roux, Michael
Speiran, Eloise
Speiran, Harold
Stevens, Michael
Stevens, Mark
Stillman, Donald

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

1972 Property Tax

Uncollected recovery from land use:		
Curtis 1-1-75	$	826 67
Remitted to Treasurer 6-22-75	$	826 67

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

1973 Resident Tax

Uncollected 1-1-75:		
Sliney	$	10 00
Penalties		1 00
	$	11 00
Remitted to Treasurer	$	10 00
Penalties		1 00
	$	11 00

REPORT OF TAX SALE AND UNREDEEMED TAXES

	Tax Accounts of		
	1974	1973	Previous
Taxes Sold Town 1975	$102,983.67	$ 0.00	$ 0.00
Taxes Sold Individuals	70.03	0.00	0.00
Unredeemed Taxes 1-1-75	0.00	10,110.85	2,045.09
Interest	1,141.08	358.20	244.37
Total	$104,194.78	$10,469.05	$ 2,289.46
Remitted to Treasurer	$36,704.33	$ 3,579.07	$ 1,126.56
Deeded			18.26
Abated per list	324.72	90.19	375.27
Interest	1,141.08	358.20	244.37
Unredeemed 12-31-75	66,024.65	6,441.59	525.00
Total	$104,194.78	$10,469.05	$ 2,289.46

TAXES UNREDEEMED 12-31-75

Owner	1974	1973	Prior
Robert Mailloux	$	$	$ 169.61
Donald Grant	790.64	392.97	355.39
Thomas Bartara		291.30	
Marcel Demers	518.27	354.25	
Marcel Demers	540.38	380.29	
Donald Handy	1,536.34	1,318.49	
Essex Investment	Sub. Tax Pd.	208.43	
Essex Inv.			
5-69	852.92	158.65	
5-65/1	51.50	16.87	
2-125	838.37	183.72	
Robert Currier			
21-3	34.04	44.82	
21-6		64.01	
4-34	43.94	40.95	
2-115	25.31	12.23	
K and K Const. 8-16/25	2,220.61	2,229.15	
Sandra Thibodeau T99		98.11	
Properties Inc.		95.08	
Elizabeth Tremblay			
2-136	589.85		
Gordon McLaughlin		77.05	
Denise Sylvester			
8/77/10	461.81	201.41	
Jard Corp		196.26	
Ted Pelletier 3-101	106.79	77.55	
Angeline Kopka 12-13	514.19		
LaPierre and Jenney			
2-55	752.81		
Gaylord Price 2-27	89.33		
Profiled Inc. 8-77/31	226.10		
Hazel Scott 2-10/1	543.29		
Denise Sylvester			
8-80/1	189.44		
8-80/5	192.35		
7/17/19	1,877.25		

Roland Thibodeau	
2-163/1	333.77
Renolds Thompson	
-89/12	706.25
8-89/13	805.19
Don Tores 8-4	354.14
Anthony Vaitkunas 8-79	482.18
Warren Dev.	
6-108/2	189.44
6-108/3	189.44
6-108/30	131.24
6-108/31	160.34
6-108/32	174.89
6-108/33	177.80
8-44/3	212.71
Milton Glover	
2-146/55	92.24
2-146/56	87.59
2-146/57	87.59
Sam Wiseman 12-14	1,398.82
Wells Realty	
4-34	234.83
4-34/24	20.66
4-34/25	14.85
Woodland Park	
4-159	444.34
4-144	946.03
4-168	3,180.90
4-59	1,082.81
4-164	1,443.65
4-165	375.68
4-166	99.23
4-167	195.26
Jasper Valley	
4-112/4	352.40
4-201/12	1,102.00
4-113	180.61
4-109/23	352.40
4-109/27	352.40

4-109/28	265.09
4-109/30	32.30
4-109/29	265.09
4-112/3	352.40
4-112/5	171.98
4-112/6	352.40
4-112/7	352.40
4-112/8	352.40
4-112/9	352.40
4-112/10	352.40
4-112/11	366.95
4-112/12	352.40
4-112/14	352.40
4-112/15	352.40
4-112/16	352.40
4-112/17	352.40
4-112/18	352.40
4-112/19	352.40
4-18	70.13
4-19	701.60
4-20	113.78
4-23	119.60
4-88	23.58
4-100	35.22
4-101	5,917.62
4-109	596.84
4-112	465.89
Luongo Development	
8-77/23	226.10
8-77/51	58.49
8-77/59	67.22
8-77/97	215.63
8-177	70.13
8-177/1	70.13
8-177/2	70.13
8-177/3	70.13
8-177/4	67.22
8-177/5	58.49
8-177/6	58.49

8-177/7	58.49
8-177/8	58.49
8-177/9	221.45
8-177/11	221.45
8-177/12	221.45
8-177/13	221.45
8-177/15	221.45
Robert Lynch 25-54	316.31
Arlene Malo 11-7/2	377.42
Princeton Homes	70.03
Eugene Adams	
2-72/13	677.15
2-72/10	931.49
Ampo Inc.	
1-30/1	616.62
1-30/2	157.43
1/30/3	55.58
Amherst Heights	
1-29	223.19
1-29/6	26.47
1-29/3	221.46
1-29/4	422.23
Anderson, Billie 17-65	1,390.57
Associate Indust.	
2-40	1,536.63
2-42	739.43
Janette Claothier 6-65	92.24
Prosper Corporation	
6-46	584.03
6-46/1	134.15
6-46/2	29.40
6-46/3	32.30
6-46/6	122.51
6-46/8	131.24
6-46/9	134.15
6-46/10	177.80
6-46/11	102.14
6-46/12	102.14
6-27/13	273.83

6-24	1,039.15		
6-27	1,111.91		
6-27/1	387.32		
6-27/2	308.75		
6-28	4,950.17		
Wm. Riehl 11-3	1151.48		
Roger Robichaud 7-39/6	19.49		
Sam Tamposi			
2-181	13.67		
2-191/6	29.40		
4-164/1	238.91		
6-2	259.28		
Carol Thibodeau			
2-163	118.43		
2-163/14	174.89		
2-163/16	174.89		
2-163/30	201.08		
2-163/32	189.44		
2-163/44	81.77		
2-163/45	75.95		
2-163/49	174.89		
2-163/55	174.89		
2-163/59	151.61		
2-163/63	201.08		
2-163/65	177.79		
Grand Total 1974	$66,024.65	$6,441.59	$ 525.00

Report of Town Treasurer

Cash on hand, Jan. 1, 1975		$ 229,606 37
Barbara Landry, Tax Collector:		
Resident & Property Taxes	$2,781,893 50	
Tax Redemptions	2,669 83	
		2,784,563 33
Bernice Boothroyd, Town Clerk:		
Auto Registrations	$111,179 86	
Dog Licenses	2,653 40	
		113,833 26
Credit Elections & Registrations:		
Candidates Fees	$13 00	
Recount Fee	10 00	
Sales of sets of Check Lists	10 00	
		33 00
Town Buildings:		
Brick School Rentals	$1,425 00	
Town Hall Rentals	150 00	
		1,575 00
Trustees of the Trust Fund:		
Credit Tennis Courts	$1,500 00	
Credit Cemetery Account	3,500 00	
Gifts:		
Gladys Sprague	100 00	
Harold Wilkins	100 00	
Charles Reynolds	100 00	
Ida Prescott	100 00	
		5,400 00
Trustees of the Cemetery:		
Sale of Lots, Burials, and Annual Care		1,015 00
Amherst Highway Department		
General Expense	$ 1,114 44	
Parks & Playgrounds	21 40	
Winter Maintenance	35 00	
Summer Maintenance		
Fiske Highway	167 43	

Commercial Dump Permits	175 00	
Bottle Recycling	40 00	
State of N.H., Gas Tax Refund	1,605 81	
State of N.H. – Human Development Grant	762 12	
		3,921 20
Amherst Police Department		
Accident & Theft Reports	$ 237 00	
Bicycle Registrations	791 00	
Dog Fines – Milford Court	330 00	
Special Duty	4,560 19	
Pistol Permits	174 00	
State of N.H., Gas Tax Refund	1,351 10	
State of N.H. – Salary Reimbursement	300 00	
State of N.H. – Traffic Aide Reimbursement	796 03	
State of N.H. – Increased Police Service Program	2,384 00	
State of N.H. – Cadet Program	802 00	
Donation – Amherst Junior Womens' Club – Cadet Program	88 00	
Sale of Cruisers	750 00	
Lamberts Garage Refund	200 00	
MacKenzie Motors Refund	65 00	
Jewett Ins. – Cruiser Repair	52 26	
Gift	1,000 00	
		13,880 58
Amherst Fire Department		
Trustees of the Trust Fund		
Credit Southern Fire District	$18,000 00	
State of N.H. – Gas Tax Refund	1,428 01	
Sale of Surplus Equipment	300 00	
		19,728 01
Robert Barton – Zoning Administrator		
Zoning Fees	$15,293 75	

Planning Board Fees	764 37	
Test Pit Fees	285 00	
Fire Station Bid Fees	190 00	
Gravel & Earth Removal Permits	380 00	
		16,913 12
Amherst Recreation Commission		
Baseball Registrations	$ 155 00	
Basketball Registrations	76 00	
Golf Lessons	150 00	
Softball Registrations	73 00	
Tennis Registrations	1,459 00	
State of N.H. – Human Development Grant	926 20	
		2,839 20
Baboosic Lake Park		
Concessions & Rentals	$ 525 00	
Registrations	2,422 00	
Steak Cookout	602 15	
Game Machines & Music	1,316 45	
		4,865 60
Permits and Licenses		
Junk License	$ 75 00	
Dynamite Permit	6 00	
Fireworks Permit	15 00	
		96 00
Town Hall and Office Expense		
Copying	$ 168 04	
Maps and Zoning Books	203 90	
Tax Bill Duplicates	22 00	
Postage	5 00	
Miscellaneous	6 56	
		405 50
Bi-Centennial Committee		
Sale of Hats	$ 176 75	
Picnic Basket Raffle	10 00	
Contra Dance	94 60	
Ball	460 60	
Stationery	102 00	
		843 95
Beverage Permits to Town		70 00

Bon Terrain – RR Crossing Construction		3,800 00
Bon Terrain – RR Crossing Refund		75 00
Davis & Symonds – Interest on Timber Bond		58 44
Insurance Refunds		1,127 00
Library – Accounts Payable		234 00
Painting of the Congregational Church		1,360 00
Returned Checks		165 05
Miscellaneous Funds – Source Unknown		100 00
Rescue Squad – Payments for services to Mont Vernon		800 00
Souhegan Regional Sanitary Landfill	$ 6,547 00	
State of N.H. Permit Refund	25 00	
		6,572 00
Fourth of July Booth Fees		130 00
Town Poor		2,911 18
State of N.H.		
Gas Subsidy	$35,534 63	
Business Profits Tax	21,982 70	
Int. & Dividends Tax	82,228 83	
Rooms and Meals Tax	43,207 95	
Forest Fire Subsidy	15 96	
Bank Stock	8,562 96	
		191,533 00
Total		$3,178,848 42
Cash on Hand Jan. 1, 1975		$ 229,606 37
Revenue to the General Fund		3,178,848 42
Tax Anticipation Notes		835,000 00
Certificates of Deposit transferred to the General Fund		790,697 37
Interest on above transferred to General Fund		13,842 72
Savings transferred to the General Fund		46,120 00
Conservation Commission funds transferred to the General Fund		617 50
Revenue Sharing Funds transferred to the General Fund		21,066 00
		$5,115,798 38

General Funds transferred to #CD 816 per order of Selectmen 4/1/75	75,000 00
	$5,040,798 38
Payment of TA notes plus Interest per order of Selectmen 12/1/75	604,956 24
	$4,435,842 14
Orders paid	3,261,890 37
	$1,173,951 77
General Funds transferred to #CDs 916, 917, 918, 919, 925 per order of Selectmen – December orders	1,050,000 00
	$ 123,951 77
General Funds transferred to Savings Account per order of Selectmen – 12/18/75	50,000 00
Cash in General Fund 12/31/75	$ 73,951 77
Balance in Bank	$ 119,472 93
Outstanding checks	45,521 16
	$ 73,951 77

General Fund CD's

CD's in General Funds 1/1/75		$ 814,394 63
Invested 4/1/75		75,000 00
Invested 12/5/75		1,050,000 00
Interest		18,271 34
		$1,957,665 97
CD's transferred to General Funds		$ 790,697 37
Interest transferred to General Funds		13,842 72
CD transferred to Savings Account	$ 63,418 00	
Interest	2,471 45	
		65,889 45

Balance in CD's		
#758 – Cons. Comm.	6,100 00	
Interest	554 25	
	6,654 25	
#759 – San. Landfill	29,179 26	
Interest	1,402 92	
	30,582 18	
#916	300,000 00	
#917	200,000 00	
#918	200,000 00	
#919	250,000 00	
#925	100,000 00	
		1,087,236 43
		$1,957,665 97

Investments in Certificates of Deposits

General Funds in CD's 1/1/75 $814,394 63

CD#	Amount	Savings	to Gen'l. Fund	Int.
755	$400,000 00	$	$400,000 00	$ 7,143 40
756	100,000 00		100,000 00	3,234 34
761	50,000 00		50,000 00	1,310 13
758	10,500 00	Cons. Comm.		
	Int. 554 25			
	11,054 25		4,400 00	
759	40,476 63	San. Landfill	11,297 37	
	Int. 1,402 92			
	41,878 75			
760	63,418 00	65,889 45		
	Int. 2,471 45	784 52		
		46,120 00	to General Fund	
	65,889 45	20,553 97		
762	150,000 00		150,000 00	1,618 74
816	75,000 00		75,000 00	536 11
			$790,697 37	$13,842 72

Savings Account Investments		
CD #760 transferred to Savings	$65,889 45	
Interest	784 52	
	$66,673 97	
Transferred to General Funds	46,120 00	
		20,553 97
Town Funds to Savings Account 12/18/75	50,000 00	
Interest	95 98	
		50,095 98
Total Town Funds in Savings Accts.		$70,649 95
Amherst Conservation Commission		
Savings Account		
Balance 1/1/75	$ 4,092 07	
Gift – Barbara Arnold	150 00	
Gift – Robert & Doris Breck	400 00	
Gift – Amherst Gardeners	200 00	
Tuition Refund	81 00	
Interest – 1974 – 16.85, 1975 – 195.27	212 12	
	5,135 19	
Transferred to Gen'l. Fund	125 00	
Transferred to Gen'l. Fund	200 00	
Transferred to Gen'l. Fund	175 00	
Transferred to Gen'l. Fund	117 50	
	617 50	
		4,517 69
Bon Terrain Savings	3,800 00	
Interest	29 27	
		3,829 27
Baboosic Lake Park Savings	498 00	
Interest	8 18	
		506 18
Ginrik Escrow Account		
Balance 1/1/75	544 95	
Gravel removal Bond	1,500 00	
Interest	43 43	
		2,088 38

Thomas Timber Bond	104 35	
Interest	5 37	
	110 02	
Paid to Tax Collector	110 02	
	0 00	
Davis and Symonds Timber Bond	355 74	
Interest	13 67	
	369 50	
Paid to Tax Collector	307 48	
Refund to Davis & Symonds	62 02	
	369 50	
	0 00	
Total Savings Investments		$81,591 47

Federal Revenue Sharing Entitlements

Unexpended Balance 12/31/74		$ 9,910 14
Unappropriated Funds 12/31/74		6,911 35
		$16,821 49
Revenue Sharing CD's and interest 12/31/74		$11,176 15
Revenue Sharing Funds in General Funds 12/31/74		5,645 34
		$16,821 49
1975 Entitlements		
Received 1/6/75 #CD 769	$6,066 00	
Received 4/7/75 #CD 822	6,066 00	
Received 7/11/75 to Savings	6,069 00	
Received 10/6/75 to Savings	8,218 00	
Total Interest CD and Savings	869 59	
		27,288 59
		$44,110 08

Balance Revenue Sharing Funds in General Funds 1974	5,645 34
Revenue Sharing CD's transferred to General Fund 1975	21,066 00
Balance in Savings	17,398 74
	$44,110 08
Total Revenue Sharing Funds Available	$44,110 08

	Unexpend. Approp.	Approp.	Expend.	
Article 4, 1973	$5,910 14	$	$	
Transferred 3/31/75	643 44			
Article 15b	5,266 70		5,266 70	
Article 14, 1974 Cruiser	4,000 00		4,000 00	
Article 17, 1975 Woodchipper		6,000 00	5,566 00	
Article 18, 1975 Cruiser		4,259 42		
Article 19, 1975		15,500 00	15,500 00	
	$9,266 70	$25,759 42	$30,332 70	

Total Expenditures	30,332 70
Unexpended Balance	4,693 42
Unappropriated Funds	9,083 96
	$44,110 08

Schedule A

Cash in Hands of the Treasurer:	
Cash on Deposit in General Fund	$ 73,951 77
Certificates of Deposit –	
Surplus Town Funds Invested	1,087,236 43
Savings Accounts –	
Ginrik Escrow Account plus Interest	2,088 38
Bon Terrain Account plus Interest	3,829 27
Surplus Town Funds plus Interest	75,673 82
Revenue Sharing plus Interest	17,398 74
	$1,260,178 41

Detailed Statement of Payments

Town Officers' Salaries

Gross Appropriation	$10,950 00	
Expended:		
Auditors		$ 400 00
Trustee of Funds		200 00
Treasurer		1,200 00
Tax Collector		4,500 00
Town Clerk		750 00
Selectman, Chairman		1,425 00
Selectmen		2,250 00
Total Expended		$ 10,725 00
Accounts payable, E. C. Masten		25 00
		$ 10,750 00

Election Expenses

Gross Appropriation	$2,000 00	
Income	33 00	
	$2,033 00	
Expended:		
Supervisors		$ 341 25
Ballot Clerks		636 25
Janitor Service		78 12
Advertising		269 00
Printing		34 00
Misc. Expenses		28 22
Total Expended		$ 1,386 84
Accounts Payable, Town of Hudson		372 00
		$ 1,758 84

Town Hall Expenses

Gross Appropriation	$5,500 00
Rental	150 00
	$5,650 00

Expended:		
Lights		$ 1,185 85
Janitor		1,391 00
Ex. Janitor Service		112 50
Oil		1,332 49
Water		30 00
Maintenance Supplies		483 61
Rubbish Removal		100 00
Town Clock		90 00
Bldg. Repairs		852 52
Christmas Tree		41 33
Total Expended		$ 5,619 30
Accounts Payable, Economy Supply		12 40
		$ 5,631 70

Town Office Expense

Gross Appropriation	$29,200 00	
Income:		
Permits & Licenses	96 00	
Beverage Permits	70 00	
Copies	168 04	
Zoning Books	45 70	
Misc.	33 56	
	$29,613 30	
From Contingency	1,000 00	
Accounts Payable 1-1-75	1,335 66	
	$31,948 96	
Expended:		
Payroll		$ 11,319 24
Meeting Expenses		233 21
Mileage		619 69
Postage		825 35
RSA		108 00
Town Reports		3,500 00
Record Binding		193 00
Advertising		920 47
Telephone		1,882 46

Fees			491 03
Office Supplies			2,165 21
Equipment Repairs			200 27
Dues			681 36
Printing			1,017 17
Equipment Rental			1,949 66
Computer Service			1,335 66
Appraisal Aid			2,500 00
Misc.			328 46
New Equipment			570 48
Refund			85 00
			$ 30,925 72
Accounts Payable, Town of Hudson			728 00
			$ 31,653 72

Brick School

Gross Appropriation		$6,630 00	
Incl. Income	$1,500 00		
Actual Income	1,425 00		
		−75 00	
		$6,555 00	
Expended:			
Janitor			$ 1,391 00
Electricity			658 57
Fuel			1,708 74
Water			30 44
Maint. Supplies			94 50
Repairs			595 01
Rubbish Removal			155 50
			$ 4,633 76

Nashua Regional Planning

Appropriation	$1,200 00	
Expended:		
Nashua Regional Planning		$ 1,151 00

Zoning Administrator

Gross Appropriation		$13,090 00
Including est. income	$ 8,000 00	
Actual Income	15,958 75	
		+7,958 75
Accounts Payable 1975, E. C. Masten		350 00
Total Available		$21,398 75

Expended:	
E. C. Masten	$ 350 00
Robert Barton, Salary	11,440 00
Robert Barton, Expenses	1,001 19
Supplies	116 14
Printing	409 00
Misc.	4 00
Special Equipment	89 95
Refunds	304 80
	$ 13,715 08

Planning Board

Gross Appropriation		$3,090 00
Including est. income	$1,000 00	
Actual Income	764 37	
		−235 63
Total Available		$2,854 37

Expended:	
Clerical Help	$ 536 00
Advertising	1,813 82
Postage	361 25
Printing	432 00
Mapping	145 00
Misc.	1 00
	$ 3,289 07

Board of Adjustment

Appropriation	$700 00	
Expended:		
Advertising		$ 408 00
Postage		18 80
		$ 426 80

Tree Committee

Appropriation	$3,350 00	
Expended:		
Spraying		$ 300 00
Tree Care		460 00
Tree Removal		692 00
Common Care		1,134 20
		$ 2,586 20
Accounts Payable, Collins Tree Service		150 00
		$ 2,736 20

Town Clerk Auto Account

Expended:		
Bernice Boothroyd, Fees		$ 6,013 00
Refunds		123 02
		$ 6,136 02

Vital Statistics

Appropriation	$150 00	
Expended:		
Bernice Boothroyd, Fees		$ 68 00

Public Health

Appropriation	$500 00	
From Contingency	300 00	
	$800 00	
Expended:		
Dr. James Starke		$ 500 00
Mike Riccitelli		30 00
Peno Septic Service		270 00
		$ 800 00

Ambulance Service

Appropriation	$1,106 00	
Expended:		
United Ambulance		$ 1,105 33

Souhegan Nursing

Appropriation	$1,500 00	
Expended:		
Souhegan Nursing		$ 1,500 00

Nashua Region Mental Health

Appropriation	$1,000 00	
Expended:		
Nashua Region Mental Health		$ 1,000 00

Recreation

Gross Appropriation		$4,675 00	
Including a budget income of	$1,925 00		
Actual Income	1,913 00		
	−12 00		
Manpower Grant received	926 20		
Manpower Grant Acct. Receivable	793 72		
		1,707 92	
Total Available		$6,382 92	
Expended:			
Director Houston			$ 1,575 00
Director Wheeler			704 00
Tennis Instructor			1,409 00
Golf Instructor			150 00
Custodial			250 00

Baseball	467 00
Basketball	107 42
Football	300 00
Softball	259 20
Volleyball	0 00
Tennis	95 20
Soccer	2 00
Advertising	14 70
Printing	35 00
Water	25 00
MAA	2 00
Misc.	21 74
Phone	6 00
Mileage	43 56
Postage	21 00
	$ 5,487 82
Accounts Payable, J. Somers	107 35
	$ 5,595 17

Precinct Tax

Expended:	
Amherst Village District	$ 6,859 95

County of Hillsborough

Expended:	
County Tax	$112,868 30

Yield Taxes

Expended:	
State of New Hampshire	$ 632 03

Baboosic Lake Park

Appropriation		$8,500 00
Including est. income	$4,475 00	
Actual Income	4,865 60	
		+390 60
		$8,890 60

Expended:	
Director	$ 1,100 00
Life Guards	3,600 00
Swimming Instructor	48 00
Arts & Crafts Instructor	400 00
Gate Attendant	126 00
Electricity	519 01
Phone	71 07
Advertising	12 24
Printing	10 81
Arts & Crafts Supplies	97 39
Bathing Suits	15 96
Swimming Expenses	54 98
First Aid	9 49
Refuse Collection	65 00
Park Opening	127 99
Sanding	240 00
Equipment Repairs	384 41
Games & Commissions	658 23
Bldg. Repairs	127 61
Misc.	63 07
Swim Dock	19 50
Family Cookout	425 74
Building Improvements	365 00
	$ 8,541 50

Trustees of the Trust Funds

From the Fire Dept. Budget	$ 12,000 00
From the Highway Dept. Budget	3,000 00
From Perpetual Care of Cemeteries	400 00
From Annual Care of the Cemeteries	1,015 00
From the Fire House Reserve	32,518 00
	$ 48,933 00

Temporary Loans

Expended:	
Souhegan National Bank	$235,000 00
Transferred by order of the Selectmen	600,000 00
	$835,000 00

Interest on Debt

Appropriated	$24,300 00	
Expended:		
Souhegan National Bank		$ 6,723 58
Transferred by order of Selectmen		4,956 24
Arnold Land Fill Note		2,711 28
		$ 14,391 10

Fire Department

Gross Appropriation	$35,556 00	
Gas Tax Refund	1,428 01	
Sale of Equipment	300 00	
Total Available	$37,284 01	
Expended:		
Salaries		$ 4,400 00
Fires & Training		7,243 82
Phone		336 01
Electricity		867 91
Water		30 00
Fuel Oil		1,838 15
Repairs		2,573 07
Gasoline		4,420 39
Bldg. Maint.		237 69
Supplies		903 97
Equipment		5,016 54
Radio Repairs		1,232 50
Equipment Repairs		277 35
Misc.		172 27
Forest Fires		31 92
To Reserve Funds		12,000 00
Total Expended		$ 41,581 59

Insurance

Appropriation	$26,000 00
Income	1,127 00
Total Available	$27,127 00

Expended:		
Bonds		$ 552 00
SMP		3,630 00
Baboosic		588 00
Vehicle Liability		3,107 00
Life & Disability		3,482 84
Officer Liability		720 00
Police Liability		483 60
Spec. Police and Fire		410 00
Blue Cross		8,013 30
Workmen's Compensation		4,595 00
		$ 25,581 74

School District of Amherst

Expended:		
On account of 1974-75 appropriation		$1,235,821 22
On account of 1975-76 appropriation		708,000 00
		$1,943,821 22
Balance due School District	$1,489,902 02	

Souhegan Regional Land Fill

Expended:	
Souhegan Regional Land Fill	$ 17,399 50

Employees Retirement

Appropriation	$12,600 00	
Expended:		
State of N.H. Police Retirement		$ 3,441 92
State of N.H. OASI		8,925 58
		$ 12,367 50
Refunded by State and earmarked		3,530 78
		$ 8,836 72

Taxes Bought by Town

Expended:	
Amherst Tax Collector	$104,403 55

Soldier Aid

Appropriation	$500 00	
Expended		0 00

Old Age Assistance

Appropriated	$2,500 00	
Expended:		
State of New Hampshire		$ 3,869 14

Public Welfare

Appropriated	$10,000 00	
less accounts receivable written off	−135 00	
plus recovery	2,062 63	
Amount Available	$11,927 63	
Expended:		
Case No. 1		$ 202 63
Case No. 2		9 97
Case No. 3		25 00
Case No. 4		201 90
Case No. 5		90 26
Case No. 6		35 00
Case No. 7		651 00
Case No. 8		565 00
Case No. 9		220 00
Case No. 10		19 52
Case No. 11		192 00
Case No. 12		264 31
Case No. 13		848 88
Case No. 14		94 58
Case No. 15		3 90
Case No. 16		60 07
Case No. 17		118 10
Case No. 18		345 00
Case No. 19		88 95
Welfare Officer		
E. C. Masten		300 00
Legal Service		127 10
		$ 4,463 17

Legal Services

Appropriated	$3,500 00	
Expended:		
Enright, Lizotte & Drescher		$ 5,708 40
State of N.H. – Appraisal Hearings		400 22
Robert Senn		145 00
		$ 6,253 62
Transferred to Land Fill Article		169 75
		$ 6,083 87

Dog Damage

Appropriated	$2,220 00	
Including estimated income of $2,800		
Expenditures:		
Tags		$ 110 64
License Refund		3 00
Dog Care		835 00
Extermination		265 00
Damage		35 00
		$ 1,248 64

Bicentennial Committee

Balance of Art. No. 18, 1974	$ 617 73	
Art. No. 21, 1975	1,500 00	
Income	843 95	
From Contingency	77 11	
	$3,038 79	
Expended:		
Training		$ 25 50
Postage		25 00
Hats		245 12
Memorial Day		11 00
Band		250 00
Tom Grella		15 90
4th of July		212 00
Eagle Flag		103 16
July Dance, Food		270 00
George Ine's Orch.		250 00

Linda Walker		5 25
Russell & Sons		145 50
Sanders Associates		318 61
Amherst Police, Special Duty		56 75
Cabinet Press		105 00
		$ 2,038 79

Amherst Town Library

Appropriation	$31,296 00	
Expended:		
Payroll		$ 20,121 70
Amherst Town Library		11,174 30
		$ 31,296 00

Memorial Day

Appropriation	$500 00	
From Contingency	36 00	
	$536 00	
Expended:		
R. A. Beauchemin, Band		$ 400 00
Amherst School Band		50 00
Laslo Kertesz		50 00
Woodman Florist		36 00
		$ 536 00

Fourth of July

Appropriation	$1,000 00	
Income	130 00	
	$1,130 00	
Expended:		
Coffey Post Band		$ 400 00
R. A. Beauchemin Band		400 00
Lyndeboro Lafayette		150 00
Ox Bow 4-H		75 00
Naval Cadets		50 00
Signs		5 00
Antique Cars		25 00
Amherst School		15 00

VFW Color Guard		25 00
Bills Guns		153 00
		$ 1,298 00

Civil Defense

Appropriation	$5,380 00	
Town of Mont Vernon, Ambulance Service	800 00	
	$6,180 00	
Expended:		
Travel		$ 147 90
Communications		181 67
Dues & Subsc.		90 98
Office Supplies		21 00
Special Equip.		1,576 56
Equip. Repairs		1,484 19
M.V. Fuel		164 59
M.V. Repairs		101 72
Training		824 23
Misc.		159 27
Mach. & Equip.		1,787 50
Ambulance		425 55
Total		$ 6,965 16

Ambulance — Article No. 19

Appropriation:		
F.R.S. Funds	$15,500 00	
Tax Revenues	9,500 00	
		$ 25,000 00
Expenditures — Total		24,769 05
Unexpended Balance 12-31-75		$ 230 95

Article No. 18 of 1974 — Bicentennial Committee

Reported under committee.

Article No. 19 of 1974 — Master Planning

Balance 1-1-75		$ 6,255 40
Expended		5,642 83
Unexpended		$ 612 57

Article No. 20 of 1975 — Fire Truck

Appropriation		$ 37,000 00
Expended:		
Farrar Co.		36,995 00
Unexpended		$ 5 00

Article No. 22 of 1975 — Tennis Courts

Appropriation		$ 16,500 00
Expended:		
Jack Somers	$1,500 00	
Advertising	86 35	
		1,586 35
Balance		$ 14,913 65

Article No. 17 of 1975 — Wood Chipper

Appropriated		$ 6,000 00
Expended:		
Cues Inc.		5,566 00
Unexpended		$ 434 00

Article No. 4 of 1973 — Land Fill

Balance 1-1-75	$5,910 14	
Received from Souhegan Regional Land Fill	4,547 00	
	$10,457 14	
Expended:		
Dana & Perkins		$ 4,547 00

Balance Transferred by Article 15 of 1975 to Article 13 of 1974		5,266 70
Transferred to Rev. Sharing Acct.		643 44
		$ 10,457 14

Article No. 11 of 1973 — Reappraisal

Balance 1-1-75	$2,749 00	
Cancelled Checks	3,524 00	
	$6,273 00	
Expended:		
United Appraisal Company		$ 6,273 00

Article No. 4 of 1974 — Cruiser

Balance 1-1-75	$4,000 00	
Salvage from old Cruiser	106 88	
	$4,106 88	
Expended:		
Heckler Plymouth		$ 4,106 88

Article No. 11 of 1974 — Town Highway Truck

Balance 1-1-75	$252 89	
Transferred to General Fund		$ 252 89

Article No. 12 of 1973 — Conservation Commission

Reported under Conservation Commission.

Article No. 13 of 1974 — Land Fill

Balance 1-1-75		$ 40,476 63
Income from Art. 4 above		5,266 70
		$ 45,743 33
Expended:		
Enright, Lizotte & Drescher	$ 553 75	
Arnold land account	11,297 37	
		11,851 12
Balance		$ 33,892 21

Article 15 of 1974 — Fire Station

Balance 1-1-75		$ 63,418 00
Fees for Plans		190 00
Interest earned on deposit of surplus funds		3,255 97
		$ 66,863 97
Expended		62,979 68
Unexpended Balance		$ 3,884 29

Article No. 25 — Fire Truck

Appropriation		$ 67,578 00
Expended		0 00
Balance		$ 67,578 00

Street Lighting

Appropriation	$4,645 00	
Accounts Payable 1975	16 72	
	$4,661 72	
Expended:		
Public Service		$ 5,207 94

Communication Center

Appropriation	$9,500 00	
Expended:		
Town of Milford		$ 8,922 28

Mapping

Appropriation	$2,000 00	
Income	158 20	
	$2,158 20	
Expended:		
James Sewell Company		$ 1,264 05

Hydrant Rental

Appropriation	$1,875 00	
Expended:		
Town of Milford		$ 120 00
Amherst Village District		1,755 00
		$ 1,875 00

Conservation Commission

Appropriation	$1,070 00	
Transferred from Savings	617 50	
	$1,687 50	
Expended:		
Surveying		$ 800 00
Dues		86 00
CCY Tuition		211 00
Legal		200 00
Supplies & Postage		73 90
Miscellaneous		121 13
Photograph		117 50
		$ 1,609 53

Article No. 12 of 1973

Balance 1-1-75	$ 10,500 00
Expended:	
Leonard Boissonault	4,440 00
Unexpended Balance forward	$ 6,100 00

Article No. 18 of 1975 — Cruiser

Appropriated	$ 4,259 42
Expended	0 00

Adjustment Account

Painting of the Church:		
Nichols & Sons	$1,300 00	
F. Tenney Clough	60 00	
	$1,360 00	
Received from Church		$ 1,360 00

Adjustment Account

Bon Terrain Crossing		
Boston & Main R.R.	$3,800 00	
Received from Bon Terrain		$ 3,800 00

Contingency

Appropriation	$5,000 00	
Expended:		
Nichols & Sons	$1,500 00	
Amherst Church – repairs	14 00	
		$ 1,514 00
Police Exam Costs		110 00
Memorial Day Overpayment		36 00
Public Health		400 00
Bicentennial Committee Overpayment		77 11
Security for President's Visit		289 97
Mileage – Town Treasurer		100 00
Appraisal Assistance		1,000 00
		$ 3,527 08

Amherst Highway Department – 1975
General Expense

Appropriation	$24,575 00	
Income	2,720 35	
	$27,295 35	
Expended:		
Salaries		$ 3,177 00
Communication		1,173 14
Office Supplies		55 80
Special Equipment		2,101 82
Equipment Repairs		2,577 31
Motor Vehicle Fuel & Lube		10,964 47
Motor Vehicle Repairs & Maintenance		5,499 35
Utilities		520 00
Heating		383 01
Misc.		1,551 85
Grader Fund		3,000 00
Postage		11 00
		$ 31,017 75

Winter Maintenance

Appropriation	$73,700 00	
Income	35 00	
Accounts Receivable	661 92	
	$74,396 92	
Expended:		
Salaries		$ 29,670 70
Hired Equipment		14,471 21
Materials		25,790 21
Parts & Repairs		2,543 14
Capital Expense (snow plow)		1,750 00
		$ 74,225 26

Summer Maintenance

Appropriation	$36,900 00	
Income	929 55	
	$37,829 55	
Expended:		
Salaries		$ 23,288 15
Hired Equipment		4,445 28
Materials		3,749 18
Supplies & Misc.		2,668 53
		$ 34,151 14

Oiling

Appropriation	$49,700 00	
Expended:		
Salaries		$ 6,695 70
Hired Equipment		6,105 60
Materials		36,865 84
Supplies		30 00
		$ 49,697 14

Parks & Playgrounds

Appropriation	$4,700 00
Income	21 40
	$4,721 40

Expended:			
Salaries			$ 4,092 05
Hired Equipment			280 00
Materials			322 66
Supplies & Repairs			553 27
			$ 5,247 98

Cemeteries

Appropriation		$10,100 00	
Including	$3,500 00		
Accounts Receivable	1,550 00		
	$5,050 00		
Expended:			
Salaries			$ 5,493 60
Hired Equipment			780 09
Materials			750 31
Parts & Repairs			499 82
Capital Expense (mower)			2,498 97
			$ 10,022 79

Dump

Appropriation	$ 9,800 00	
Income	215 00	
	$10,015 00	
Expended:		
Advertising		$ 28 00
Salaries		5,771 00
Hired Equipment		2,777 93
Materials		867 59
Repairs		217 28
		$ 9,661 80

T.R.A.

Appropriation	$2,010 00	
Expended		$ 2,010 00

Road Improvement			
Appropriation		$12,000 00	
Expended:			
Hired Equipment			$ 10,220 00
Materials			1,780 00
			$ 12,000 00
Gas Subsidy			
Appropriation		$35,534 66	
Expended:			
Salaries			$ 5,161 10
Hired Equipment			12,812 55
Materials			17,537 94
			$ 35,511 59
Abatements			
Expended			$ 12,560 13
Police			
Gross Appropriation		$ 87,641 00	
Inc. Est. Income	$2,820 00		
Dept. Income	8,403 67		
		5,583 67	
Federal Grants	$4,282 03		
Gifts Trans. to Genl. Fund	1,088 00		
		5,370 03	
		$98,594 70	
Accounts Receivable		3,377 73	
			$101,972 43
Expended:			
Payroll			$ 72,892 49
Advertising			181 00
Printing			374 70
Office Supplies			101 02
Telephone			1,112 18
Films & Bulbs			126 68
R.S.A.			74 00
Bike Tags			141 13
Uniforms			1,226 35

Dry Cleaning	940 32
Training	107 95
Medical Tests	50 00
Mileage	56 94
Office Equip. Repairs	108 04
Sub & Dues	64 90
Misc.	305 01
Conferences	126 00
Postage	124 30
Radio Repairs	715 60
Gasoline	7,888 21
Grease & Oil	52 80
Tires	1,179 47
Cruiser Maintenance (6)	3,412 21
New Cruiser	4,345 00
Office Equipment	219 50
Special Radio	160 95
Ammo	109 75
Fire Arms	156 26
Officer Bill Program	375 03
Fire Extinguisher	20 00
Emergency Lights	59 90
Air Conditioner	330 00
Office Alterations	139 77
GRAND TOTAL	$ 97,191 21
Acct. Payable – Pete's Gun Shop	798 00
Gift Funds – earmarked	74 00
Llewellyn's	10 00
	$ 98,073 21

Report of Highway Agent

The following is a summarized report of this department's activities during 1975.

Winter Maintenance — $74,225.26

The winter maintenance program covers all the Highway Department work from about December first to the middle of March. All road clearing due to snow and ice storms is charged to this account. We have approximately 114 miles of roads to care for with five hired trucks with plows, one Town tractor, four Town trucks, and one Grader. We have tried to give school bus routes and areas where children walk to school or to meet buses special attention. We also clear snow from some sidewalks in the village as well as snow removal from both the Wilkins and Clark Schools, the Fire Station, Library, Old Brick School, and the Town Hall.

The other main work done in winter consists of cutting trees and brush. Areas where future construction is contemplated are included in this program. During the winter of '74-'75, brush and trees were cut on North Hollis Road, Spring Road, Stearns Road, Upham Road, Horace Greeley Road, Old Manchester Road, and at the Town Park at Baboosic Lake. Our new chipper eliminated the costly hauling of brush to the landfill site.

Sand is being used in larger amounts in order to cut the use of rock salt, in the name of ecology, but this does not save money and it takes longer to make the roads safe for travel. Also, this method of ice control will require more clean-up in the spring than the use of just salt for ice control. The cooperation of the public in the form of reduced speed is also necessary during storm periods in order for this program to work.

Summer Maintenance — $34,400.31

All general maintenance from the middle of March to

December 1 is covered under this account. Included is the grading, use of the York rake on 34 gravel roads several times, cutting banks and ditches, spot graveling, the maintenance and replacement of culverts, setting posts, signs, etc. on all roads. Also the maintenance of shoulders throughout the black road system and the machine and hand cutting of brush in the summer.

In 1975 several roads were spot graveled. They were: Lyndeborough Road, County Road, Stearns Road, Austin Road, Dodge Road, Old Manchester Road, and Old Milford Road. Culverts were replaced on: Mt. Vernon Road, Cricket Corner Road, River Road, Eaton Road, Boston Post Road (south), and Dodge Road. Brush was hand cut on approximately 100 miles of road, and some areas were done a second time. Brush was hand cut on: Horace Greeley Road, Christian Hill Road, Schoolhouse Road, Lyndeborough Road, Boston Post Road (south), and at corners and intersections.

Many hours were spent replacing street signs. The old wooden signs are being replaced by a more durable metal sign with steel posts.

Many ditches and culverts were cleaned during the fall months.

Oiling – $49,697.14

Under this account 23.0 miles of road were resurfaced at a cost of $24,495.73 for asphalt alone. The roads were: Baboosic Lake Road, Border Street, Souhegan Street, Spring Road, Beaver Brook Circle, Southfield Road, Bloody Brook Road, Lyndeborough Road, Brimstone Hill Road, Fairway Drive, Airline Drive, Blueberry Hill, Bayberry Drive, Laurel Lane, Boston Post Road (north end), Mt. Vernon Road, Christian Hill Road, Church Street, Eaton Road, Green Road, Cricket Corner Road, Douglas Drive, Eastern Avenue, Hickory Drive, Juniper Lane, New Boston Road, North Street, Old Milford Road, Old Mt. Vernon Road, River Road, Winding Hollow Road, Miles Road, Meadow Lane, and some streets in the village.

The cost of patching all black roads and sweeping of all

roads to be re-oiled is covered under this oiling appropriation. 6,000 gallons of waste oil were applied to gravel roads where dust is a problem.

Town Road Aid – $15,405.67

T.R.A. is a program started in 1947 by the State to help towns improve their roads. Money for this account is raised on a 15% town cost and 85% State aid. Supervision is jointly held by the State and the Road Agent. Under this account money was spent on: the gravel section of Stearns Road, Spring Road (between Lynch Farm Road and Pond Parrish Road) was completed and a small stone bridge was replaced with pipe, and some work on Christian Hill (from the Cemetery, west 1,300 ft.).

Gas Subsidy – $35,511.57

This is a program started in 1971 by the State to help towns improve their roads and the care of their roads. Money for this account is 100% State aid. Under this program, Schoolhouse Road was spot graveled and one culvert was replaced. Also, Cricket Corner Road was spot graveled and had one culvert replaced. The west end of Nichols Road was graveled. There were four areas of Baboosic Lake Road that were rebuilt. Two areas were between Dream Lake Road and the Wilbur Parker House. The other two areas are between the Soloway residence and Grater Road.

Road Improvement – $12,000.00

Money under this account was spent on shimming the following roads: Mack Hill Road (from jct. of Roberge Drive, south to just beyond the Griffin's), Baboosic Lake Road (from jct. of Spring Road to 101), and the New Boston Road (from Flanders Road to the jct. of Boston Post Road). There was a 3-in. course of asphalt applied to the New Boston Road in the area of the bridge. Also included in the shimming program were parts of Boston Post Road (by the Fire Station), School Street, Church Street, and Middle Street.

Parks and Playgrounds – $5,247.98

Money under this account is spent to maintain eight town commons, two playgrounds, the Old Brick School yard, Wilkins and Clark School grounds. Some of the work at the Library comes under this account. This work consists of raking and picking up leaves, mowing and trimming the grass, care of the park fences, and the constant picking up of papers, etc. from the lawns. Town trash barrels are placed in these areas during the summer and have helped keep our village picked up. The children who have used the parks have been considerate and have used the trash barrels.

This past year, the fence around the park was scraped and painted.

All the work in conjunction with the visit of President Ford was charged to this account.

Cemeteries – $9,997.50

Money for this account was spent to maintain the four cemeteries: Meadowview, the Old Cemetery by the Town Hall, Cricket Corner and the Chestnut Hill Cemetery. Some of the work accomplished this year other than regular raking, mowing and trimming of all cemeteries was: a) a program of resetting all the stones in the older cemeteries has been started, and will continue in 1976; b) several areas at Cricket Corner Cemetery were loamed and seeded; c) many areas in Meadowview Cemetery were loamed and seeded.

There were 11 burials in Meadowview Cemetery and 2 burials in the Cricket Corner Cemetery.

Dumps – $9,633.80

Money from this account paid for the custodian's time, the hiring of a bulldozer several times during the year, and the constant hauling of gravel to cover the dump driving area. In November, the final burning of the dump was accomplished. The dump area was graded and covered, and

partially seeded. An extensive extermination program was used to rid the area of rodents.

I would like you, the taxpayer, to know that your Highway Department is doing everything possible to give you good service and to keep the cost of operation down. With this in mind, we have tried to assist various other departments whenever possible.

In closing this report, I would like to thank the Selectmen and the Road Commission for their guidance and help in 1975 and the taxpayers of Amherst for their support of the Department's programs.

Any comments and suggestions on how your Highway Department can better serve you, are welcomed.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD G. CROCKER, Highway Agent

Amherst Fire Department

Annual Report — 1975

The following is a summary of the Amherst Fire Department's 1975 activities.

The Department responded to 99 calls during the year, of which 3 were major structure fires, as compared to 106 calls last year, with 7 major.

Amherst Fire Calls

House	4	Trash	1
Major House	3	Tree	2
Brush	8	Search Party	2
Gas Wash Down	9	Smoke Check	4
Electrical	3	Grass	3
Chimney	17	Accident	3
Church Alarm	3	Middle School	1
Truck	1	Oil Burner	2
Car	8	False Alarm	7
Resident Alarm	2	Stills	4
Dump	3	Misc.	7

Mutual Aid was received 4 times and supplied 2 times out of town.

The Amherst Fire Department is composed of four engine companies which man and equip two stations — our Central Station in the village and the new South Station, located on Stearns Road, which was completed in the fall of 1975. Listed below are the stations, their equipment and officers:

Central Station

Engine One:
Captain Joe Luongo
Lt. Dave Hanlon

Engine Two:
Captain Dave Sliney
Lt. James Lawson

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Engine Three:
Captain Robert Hall
Lt. Art McKenney

Engine Four:
A 1960 International 4-wheel drive brush truck. As this is a smaller piece of equipment, it is easier to manipulate through woodlands, enabling us to perform a greater service in the area of woods fires.

Tanker No. 1:
A military vehicle, which has water capacity of 2,000 gallons.

South Station

Engine Five:
Captain Fred Yunggebauer
Lt. Bankson Riter

Tanker No. 2:
Same as Tanker No. 1 in Central Station.

To report a fire, dial 673-3131. This is the phone number of the Communications Center, which handles all fire calls for Amherst, Milford, Wilton and Mont Vernon, 24 hours a day. Please give the property owner's name, the street name and the town when reporting a fire.

A combined drill with all companies is held the first Monday of the month. Each Engine Company holds a practice drill on one of the following Mondays of that month, with a fire ward in attendance.

The expected arrival date for the replacement engine to Engine One is March, 1976.

The wards wish to thank the members of the four engine companies for all their time & efforts in 1975. Also, our thanks to the selectmen, Barbara Landry, and the people of Amherst for their support.

Respectfully submitted,

MARSHALL STRICKLAND, Chief
RICHARD CROCKER, First Assistant Chief
DAVID HERLIHY, JR., Second Assistant Chief

Fire Prevention Team

Annual Report

During the year team members attended various fire prevention seminars while two members attended a twelve week fire prevention and arson investigation course given at the New Hampshire Vocational Technical College.

The New Hampshire State Fire Prevention Society was formed in 1975. Five members of the Amherst Fire Prevention Team are charter members of this society. Michael Riccitelli, chairman of the Amherst Team, was elected to the society's executive committee.

Inspection activities within the town continued. Homes, businesses, town buildings and schools are inspected. Home inspections are done whenever the owner asks the Team to do so. Other inspections are done on a scheduled basis. This year twenty-three homes, three town buildings, two church and four school inspections were accomplished.

Through the sponsorship of the Amherst Bank and Trust Company, the Team was able to present the "Captain No Burn" program to the second and third grade students during Fire Prevention Week. This program was a great success.

Three fire extinguisher courses were put on by the Team. School bus drivers, Middle School teachers, and Troop 613 Boy Scouts participated in this training.

Team membership has increased to eleven members, who are: Richard Brown, Richard Heineke, Richard Hodges, James Lawson, Gary Ledoux, Joseph Manning, Arthur McKinney, John Moorehouse, Walter Nelson, Michael Riccitelli, and Ted Riter.

The Team would like to thank all those who have worked and assisted the Team in its activities. Particular thanks to town officials, the Fire Wards, and school officials for their support.

MICHAEL RICCITELLI, Chairman
RICHARD R. HEINEKE, Secretary

Fire Warden's Report

Upon the recommendation of town selectmen and city councils, the Division of Forests and Lands appoints a forest fire warden and several deputy forest fire wardens in each town and city every three years. The town or city warden is responsible for maintaining a force of men and adequate equipment to suppress any wildfire that occurs in his town or city during his term of appointment. The fire warden must authorize all open burning when the ground is not covered with snow. No open fires can be authorized between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., unless it is raining, without the additional permission of the state district fire chief.

Any person wishing to kindle an open fire when the ground is not covered with snow must first obtain the written permission of the forest fire warden. Camp and cooking fires also require the warden's permission.

The Division of Forest and Lands, through its Forest Fire Service, assists all cities and towns in meeting these requirements by training the warden and deputy forces in wildfire suppression tactics, making hand tool suppression equipment available at fifty percent of cost, supplying pieces of Federal excess property for use as fire attack vehicles and sharing up to fifty percent of the cost of wildfire suppression costs.

Wildfire prevention is also a joint state, city or town program. Smokey Bear is available from the Forest Fire Service for local fire prevention programs. Posters and Junior Ranger kits are available for distribution by local fire departments upon request to the Forest Fire Service. Each forest fire warden is expected to carry on a contiuous wildfire prevention program within his town or city.

1975 Forest Fire Statistics

	No. of Fires	No. of Acres
State	718	800
District	143	88
Town	10	6¼

WINTHROP H. HANNAFORD, District Fire Chief
MARSHALL D. STRICKLAND, Forest Fire Warden

Amherst Police Department

Police Roster

Chief John T. Osborn, Jr.
Officer David Bode
Officer Richard Dolan
Officer Edward Gamache
Officer Robin Mangold
Officer Steven Sexton
Spl. Officer Patrick Doherty
Spl. Officer Robert McHatton
Spl. Officer Albert Junkins
Traffic Aide Nancy Demers
Traffic Aide Sylvia Martel
Traffic Aide Joann Osborn

1975 Summer Cadet:
Cadet Mark Creighton

Resigned during 1975:
Chief James F. Tinker, Jr.
Spl. Officer George Gazey
Spl. Officer John X. Murphy
Traffic Aide Diane Simensen

Incidents reported to police in 1975:

141	Accidents
194	Alarms (Burglar)
131	Arrests
1	Arson
100	Assist Motorist
16	Assault
2	Assault on Police Officer
8	Bad Checks
4	Blood Transfer
4	Bomb Threats
31	Burglaries
12	Cash Escorts
129	Criminal Mischief
2	Criminal Threats

3	Criminal Trespass
3	Cruelty to Animals
7	Death Reports
2	Discharge Firearms/Firecrackers
281	Dog Complaints
5	Fire Alarms (False)
51	Fire Calls
1	Fireworks Permit
81	Found Property
1	Hit & Run
1	Indecent Exposure
2	Littering
34	Lost Property
90	Medical Assistance
687	Miscellaneous Incidents
26	Missing Persons/Attempt to Locate
32	Mutual Aid to Other Depts.
39	Nuisance Phone Calls
111	Open Doors/Windows
86	Pistol Permit Applications
13	Prowlers
3	Recovered Stolen Property
4	Recovered Stolen Vehicles
1	Robbery
2	Stolen Vehicles
159	Suspicious Persons/Vehicles
116	Thefts
1	Theft (attempted)
2	Theft of Services
13	Towed Vehicles
73	Transfers (paperwork/persons)
6	Trespassing
18	Trespassing Livestock
3	Truancy
1	Use of Firearms by Police Officers
4	Zoning Violations
2737	Incidents Reported in 1975
2058	Incidents Reported in 1974
1064	Incidents Reported in 1973
716	Incidents Reported in 1972

Arrests by Amherst Police in 1975:

70 Adults
1 Assault
2 Assault on Police Officer
1 A.W.O.L.
1 Bad Check
2 Bench Warrants
2 Burglary
1 Consuming Alcohol (restricted area)
1 Criminal Trespass
2 Disorderly Conduct
24 DWI
1 Hit & Run
1 Intoxication
7 Knowingly present controlled drug
2 Littering
1 Operating after revocation
2 Operating unregistered MV
1 Operating MV without license
5 Possession of Controlled Drug
1 Reckless operation
2 Resisting Arrest
1 Soliciting without permit
8 Theft
1 Willful concealment

61 Juvenile Detentions excluding MV violations

2 Arson
2 Burglary
10 Criminal Mischief
1 Criminal Threats
7 Disorderly Conduct
2 Escape from Y.D.C.
1 Failure to comply with Court Order
1 False Fire Alarm
1 Illegal Transportation of Alcoholic Beverage
3 Investigation
13 Knowingly Present Controlled Drugs
1 Littering

4 Possession Alcoholic Beverage
2 Possession Controlled Drugs
4 Runaway
4 Trespassing
2 Unauthorized taking of MV
1 Wayward/Disobedient

377 Total Summonses for 1975

1011 Total Warnings – 1975

1388 Total Driver Contacts – 1975

Once again police activity has taken a noticeable increase. Nearly 700 more incidents were reported this year than in 1974. Major increases were in response to alarms (burglar) and suspicious persons/vehicles complaints. This can be attributed to concerned citizens, being aware of the rise in crime, and trying to combat it; either with alarm systems or attentiveness to the community and reporting any unusual activity. To these people we "tip our hats." They are the ones that assisted the department in reducing major crimes in Amherst in 1975. Contrary to the National Statistics, major crime in Amherst is indeed down; however, it would be difficult to convince the victims of the 31 reported burglaries and one robbery of this. These Amherst taxpayers lost $46,361.50 in stolen property, of which only $3,493.28 was recovered. Three of the burglaries have been solved, and although the others are still open and under investigation, it is doubtful that they will be solved. The robbery, which occurred in May, was a first for Amherst. May I add, I hope our last. Two individuals entered the home of an Amherst resident and at gunpoint proceeded to rob the occupants of antiques and other valuable possessions. Investigation was conducted by this department, in conjunction with N.H. State Police. As of this date the perpetrators have not been apprehended, but the investigation continues.

The increase in activity from 716 incidents reported in 1972 to the 2737 reported in 1975 only reflects one phase

of police contact with the public. Driver contacts is understandably up. This is accounted for by the increase in traffic through Amherst by residents as well as tourists and commuters. What may be hard to visualize is that during the limited hours of operation of the Amherst Police Station (9 a.m. to 1 p.m., five days a week), 2,278 phone calls were received and over 1400 individuals came to the station with questions, problems or other matters requiring attention.

It is felt the Criminal Mischief (vandalism) warrants special attention in this report. This is normally the wanton, unexplainable willful destruction of another's property. One resident was terrorized by nine separate incidents where bottles, stones and on one occasion a 5-inch rock was hurled through his window while he and his wife were watching TV. This type of offense ceases to be childish prank. A few inches could have put one or both in the hospital. Since this is one of the most difficult incidents to solve, we request the assistance of parents. Please emphasize the seriousness of these actions and what could result.

Law Enforcement Post No. 194 was activated under the sponsorship of the Amherst Police Department. This post, affiliated with the Boy Scouts of America, is designed to provide individuals, between 15 and 21 years of age, with exposure to the various fields of law enforcement. There are presently 12 boys and girls actively participating in the program from the Amherst-Milford area.

The Open House was a repeated success. One of the highlights was the demonstration of alcohol and its effects as recorded on the Breathalyzer. It was vividly displayed by our two volunteers that the effects are different to each individual and that impairment is apparent, with some, before the legal limits are reached.

Our Officer Bill Program is into its fourth year. The enthusiasm of the youngsters remains as high as it was the first year. It gives the officers of the department a feeling of satisfaction to have these children run to the street, wave a friendly hand and say "Hi, Officer Bill." It is our goal this year to introduce lectures on drugs and the adverse effects it can have on the mind and body. This program is entitled "Users Are Losers."

Our annual Bike Rodeo continues to draw youngsters between 6 and 13. As in the past we gave away three bicycles to the first place winners. These were donated by the Amherst Police Association and was only possible because of the support given at the time of the Amherst Policeman's Ball. Thanks again.

The Cadet Program was reduced to one in 1975. This was not because of the lack of applicants but because of the reduction in available funds. The Town's share was donated by the Junior Women's Club. Another young man has decided that Law Enforcement is his goal in life, because these women cared.

Chief James F. Tinker, Jr. submitted his resignation, effective August 9, 1975. The department was sorry to see him leave and extended best wishes to him in his new position as Chief of Police, Somersworth, N. H.

In September, Amherst was honored with a visit by the President of The United States. Although mutual aid for manpower was required, the day went without an incident.

To provide the best police protection and service possible without an unreasonable capital expenditure, it is my opinion that two additions to the department are necessary. First priority is to expand the hours of operation of the station to a full 8 hour day, five days a week with a full-time clerk-dispatcher. Second priority would be another full-time officer, bringing the department strength to seven. With this officer it would be possible to have two officers in cruisers seven days a week, from 8 a.m. to 1 a.m., and one officer on duty from 1 a.m. to 8 a.m., seven days a week. This coverage would increase patrol capabilities, reduce response time to calls and have backup forces immediately available, if necessary, during peak workload periods.

I, like my predecessor, feel that a once a year expression of appreciation is inadequate, however, this is the only opportunity to reach everyone. Your support is reflected in the appearance, morale, and performance of the entire department.

JOHN T. OSBORN, JR., Chief of Police

Report of the Common Trust Fund Investments of the Town of Amherst, N. H., on Dec. 31, 1975

No. of Shares	Description of Investments	PRINCIPAL: Balance Beginning of Year	ADDITIONS: Purchase	ADDITIONS: Capital Gains	Proceeds From Sale	Gains or (Losses) From Sales	Balance End of Year	Market Value	Income During Year
PRINCIPAL INVESTMENTS:									
1479	Broad Street Investing Corporation	$ 17,044.80	$	$203.88	$		$ 17,248.68	$ 16,577.26	$ 724.62
3856	Chemical Fund, Inc.	17,632.16		567.05			18,199.21	29,922.07	771.19
986	Fidelity Fund, Inc.	11,971.41					11,971.41	13,697.35	571.94
86	First Financial Group of N.H., Inc.							1,548.00	86.00
3458	National Investors Corporation	14,475.65					14,475.65	20,609.07	449.52
1157	T. Rowe Price Growth Stock Fund, Inc.	10,918.74					10,918.74	11,794.00	149.07
1534	Puritan Fund, Inc.	13,988.94		151.68			14,140.62	14,295.72	874.37
	Amoskeag Savings Bank	10,000.00	34,492.53		10,000.00		34,492.53	34,492.53	507.25
	Concord Savings Bank	2,000.00			2,000.00				112.87
	The Manchester Bank	15,000.00			15,000.00				672.84
	Manchester Federal Savings & Loan Assoc.	2,000.00			2,000.00				89.95
	Merchants Savings Bank	2,000.00			2,000.00				101.46
	Milford Cooperative Bank		1,680.14				1,680.14	1,680.14	13.72
	New Hampshire Savings Bank	5,255.07			5,255.07				298.67
	Souhegan National Bank	3,800.00					3,800.00	3,800.00	195.15
	U.S. Treasury Bonds — $35,000 — 6¾ — 1982	35,000.00					35,000.00	32,648.00	2,231.26
	U. S. Treas. Bills — December 26, 1975		34,492.53		34,492.53				507.47
	Souhegan National Bank — checking account	17.60	82.40				100.00	100.00	
TOTAL PRINCIPAL INVESTMENTS		$161,104.37	$70,747.60	$922.61	$70,747.60		$162,026.98	$181,164.14	$ 8,357.35
INCOME INVESTMENTS:									
562	Fidelity Fund, Inc.	$ 6,896.34	$	$	$	$	$ 6,896.34	$ 7,806.47	$ 325.97
48	First Financial Group of N. H., Inc.	100.00			864.00	764.00			812.00
	The Manchester Bank	7,061.39	304.68		7,366.07				304.68
	New Hampshire Savings Bank		9,947.07				9,947.07	9,947.07	81.00
2457	National Dividend Fund	14,577.08			7,641.27	(6,935.81)			(6,640.97)
100	Mobile Oil Corporation		3,994.37				3,994.37	4,725.00	255.00
100	Standard Oil Co. of California		2,604.39				2,604.39	2,937.50	150.00
	Souhegan National Bank — checking account	2,139.90	(400.19)				1,739.71	1,739.71	
TOTAL INCOME INVESTMENTS		$ 30,774.71	$16,450.32	$	$15,871.34	$(6,171.81)	$ 25,181.88	$ 27,155.75	$(4,712.32)
TOTAL COMMON TRUST FUND INVESTMENTS		$191,879.08	$87,197.92	$922.61	$86,618.94	$(6,171.81)	$187,208.86	$208,319.89	$ 3,645.03

Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Amherst, N. H., on December 31, 1975

		Purpose of Trust Fund	PRINCIPAL				INCOME			
			Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	Capital Gain Dividends	Balance End Year	Balance Beginning Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year
COMMON TRUST FUNDS:										
1927	Emma L. Clark	Library	$ 1,011.53		$ 6.04	$ 1,017.57	$ 55.86	$ 54.74	$ 55.86	$ 54.74
1945	James Day	Library	12,135.30		72.45	12,207.75	669.81	656.30	669.81	656.30
1923	Fannie P. French	Library	2,022.65		12.08	2,034.73	111.65	109.40	111.65	109.40
1928	George W. George	Library	1,011.53		6.04	1,017.57	55.86	54.74	55.86	54.74
1902	Edmund M. Parker	Library	2,022.65		12.08	2,034.73	111.65	109.40	111.65	109.40
1957	Anna H. Boardman	Library	3,540.88		17.52	3,558.40	161.97	158.71	161.97	158.71
1942	David E. Fisk	Highway	3,033.71		18.11	3,051.82	167.43	164.05	167.43	164.05
1867	Aaron Lawrence	School	3,033.71		18.11	3,051.82	167.43	164.05	167.43	164.05
1867	Sarah L. Lawrence	School	1,011.53		6.04	1,017.57	55.86	54.74	55.86	54.74
1876	Isaac Spalding	School	17,950.23		107.17	18,057.40	990.77	970.79	990.77	970.79
1964	Bradford-Miles Long-Sullivan Scholarship	School	10,658.20		51.85	10,710.05	1,629.26	197.78	1,616.07	210.97
1932	George W. Putnam	Cemetery	2,022.65		12.08	2,034.73	464.20	31.65		495.85
1938	Alice M. Wilkins	Cemetery	4,045.21		24.15	4,069.36	938.54	61.88		1,000.42
	Perpetual Care:									
Various	Unrestricted	Cemetery	10,176.52		58.29	10,234.81	2,078.25	181.19		2,259.44
Various	Restricted	Cemetery	87,428.07		500.60	87,928.67	23,116.17	676.61	5,073.50	18,718.28
TOTAL COMMON TRUST FUNDS			$161,104.37	$	$922.61	$162,026.98	$30,774.71	$3,645.03	$9,237.86	$25,181.88
FUNDS SEPARATELY INVESTED										
Various	Perpetual care	Cemetery	$ 9,350.00	400.00	$	$ 9,750.00	$ 2,529.27	$ 608.23	$	$ 3,137.50
Various	Town of Amherst	Fire Truck	20,604.39	44,518.00		65,122.39	2,456.47	2,441.54		4,898.01
Various	Town of Amherst	Grader	3,000.00	3,000.00		6,000.00	602.50	183.17		785.67
Various	Town of Amherst	Fire District	18,000.00	(18,000.00)			2,566.94	1,013.06		3,580.00
Various	Town of Amherst	School Library	250.00	483.00		733.00	36.81	32.77	36.81	32.77
Various	Town of Amherst	Cemetery Res.	2,839.98	1,015.00		3,854.98	285.61	162.46		448.07
Various	Town of Amherst	Recreation	3,000.00	(1,500.00)		1,500.00	50.92	132.65		183.57
1964	Bradford-Long-Miles-Sullivan Scholarship	School		1,016.07		1,016.07				
TOTAL SEPARATELY INVESTED FUNDS			$ 57,044.37	$30,932.07	$	$ 87,976.44	$ 8,528.52	$4,573.88	$ 36.81	$13,065.59
TOTAL TRUST FUNDS			$218,148.74	$30,932.07	$922.61	$250,003.42	$39,303.23	$8,218.91	$9,274.67	$38,247.47

Tree Committee Report

As in the past, the Amherst Tree Committee concentrated on keeping the trees and shrubs on the village streets and commons in good health.

In 1975 we sprayed the elms with both dormant and foliage sprays to reduce the danger of their succumbing to Dutch Elm disease, using chemicals recommended by the University of New Hampshire as having no appreciable ill effect on the environment. Five dead or dying trees were removed and several others were pruned. It is planned that a few additional trees will be removed by the Public Service Company of New Hampshire.

The Committee did not plant any new trees or shrubs in 1975. Plantings in previous years have taken care of most areas in need of new trees in the Village. Next year we plan to plant a modest number of new shrubs and trees primarily to replace removed trees.

During 1975 the commons were fertilized.

In 1976 the Committee plans to continue operations much as in the past few years.

NORMAN J. MARSH, JR., Chairman
MARGARET DROBAT
EUGENE I. ROE

Amherst Town Library Trustees' Report

Although 1975 was a year of recession and slow-down, the Amherst Town Library continued its steady increase in activity and services to the community. This year we had 627 new patrons and the Johnson Room was used for 254 meetings, both figures representing substantial increases over last year.

Mr. Ryland Cox is our new trustee. He replaces Ann Keefe who decided not to run again. The Trustees and the Staff wish to thank Ann Keefe for her years of service and interest in our library.

Over the years, we have been trying to work more closely with our school libraries. Our book selection materials are available to them, and with advance notice of special assignments, we are able to supply more books and materials for the students.

The most exciting innovation this year was the summer branch library at the Middle School. This was a trial program, and through the co-operative efforts of Betty Watson and Joyce Kenne, Middle School Librarian, it proved so successful that next summer the program will be expanded.

The Friends of the Library contribute a great deal of time and service to our library, and we do appreciate all they do. Their activities include a book and bake sale, story hour, book mending, book discussions, decorating, and a membership coffee. The Friends of the Library are: Evelyn Dudley, chairperson; Joan Hoxie, vice chairperson; Norma Specker, secretary; Carol Ritchie, treasurer; Barbara Berlack, membership and hospitality; Margaret Gray, book mending; Tinney Bacon, book discussion; Jean Pituck, publicity; Kay Simoos, art (front hall); Joan Sundeen, display case; Nancy Logan, flowers; Margaret O'Riordan, book and bake sale; Manny Houston and Barbara Berlack, story hour; Evelyn Dudley, summer reading program; and Margaret Gray, advisor.

We give special thanks to our staff, Betty Watson, Head

Librarian; Cole Clough, Marian Williston, Sally Suomala and Joedy Allen, Assistant Librarians. They give excellent service to our patrons and help make the library the friendly place that it is. Also, we have three pages, Heidi Seeling, Sue Berlack, and Holly Helfrich, who work hard and serve the library well.

The Trustees wish to thank all those who have given books and gifts to the library, and we are grateful to all the people of Amherst for their interest and support.

Board of Trustees:
RYLAND COX
MARGARET GRAY
E. DANIEL JOHNSON
ELIZABETH LYLE
JOHN MANNING
LUCY RAMSAY

Amherst Town Library
Librarian's Report

Circulation statistics for 1975 are:

Adult Fiction	18,543
Adult Non-fiction	11,881
Juvenile	20,729
Magazines	5,889
Art Prints	52
Puzzles	248
Records	3,077
Inter-library loans	818
Loans to non-residents using the Statewide Library Card	837
Films	90
Grand Total	62,164

This total represents a gain of 3,725 over last year, or a 6.4% increase in circulation. 627 new patrons were registered.

Middle School Summer Library

The opening of the Middle School Library for public use this past summer was an innovative cooperative undertaking of the Amherst Schools and the Town Library. It was enthusiastically received by the families living in the southern section of town with a total of 1,260 books circulated during the Tuesday and Thursday afternoon openings. 1,573 filmstrips, records, and cassettes were enjoyed in the library. Plans are being formulated to continue this program in the summer of 1976, with the addition of an evening opening to accommodate those who work during the day and to allow families to visit the school library together.

Book Collection

We added 994 books by purchase in 1975 and an additional 228 as donations or memorial gifts. One hundred

fifty books were withdrawn due to obsolescence, loss, damage or wear. Our book collection now includes:

Adult 10,768 Juvenile 4,615 Total 15,383

In addition, we carry a large number of uncataloged paperbacks for the enjoyment of readers of all ages. Most of these are donated to the library. We appreciate the thoughtfulness and generosity of all who contribute books, puzzles, records and magazines for the library's use or to place in the sale held once a year by the Friends of the Library.

Magazines

We have replaced two little-used magazines with two new titles this year. They are "House Beautiful" and "Ladies Home Journal." Our magazine subscriptions total 55, and we receive an additional 21 as gifts.

Recordings

Our record collection consists of 102 recordings for children and 453 for adults and young adults. Total – 555. A generous gift from the Amherst Junior Women's Association enabled us to buy a special group of children's records along with other equipment and supplies for the Summer Craft and Story Program.

Other Children's Programs

Again this year we had a 4-week Summer Reading Program for young readers from first through fifth grades. Children using the Middle School Library were able to participate there. Figures on this program are:

Enrolled		Completed 4 or more books	Total Books Read
Town Library	92	68	617
Middle School Library	31	11	134
Totals	123	79	751

A film show followed by refreshments was held in the Johnson Meeting Room for those youngsters who completed the required number of books. We had many willing volunteers who helped with this worthwhile program.

Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday morning Pre-School Story Hours were held throughout the Spring, Fall and Winter, one presented by the Friends of the Library and the other by a separate group of volunteer mothers. This was a rewarding experience for the children, and we appreciate the time spent by volunteers to make this possible. Films were shown by the library staff at many of these Story Hours.

A Holiday Film Show for school children was enjoyed by approximately 50 youngsters in the Johnson Meeting Room during Christmas vacation.

Johnson Meeting Room

83 library meetings, workshops and programs took place in the Meeting Room, including the film programs and the Story Hours. Various town organizations held 171 meetings in the Johnson Room, making a total of 254 times the room was booked.

As patronage continues to grow, so do the library's efforts to increase and improve the book collection by careful selection and cooperative book buying (to enable us to obtain maximum discounts on book purchases). Increased interlibrary loans (up 50.6% in 1975) helped to fill patrons' requests for books and subject matter we do not own. Films for library programs and for non-profit organizations, other than schools, are made available through the State Library's Film Co-op and through the Aesop Pre-School Co-op, of which we are a member.

We hope 1976 will be a year in which we are able to offer library services to residents who have not previously used the library and that we will be able to continue to offer a wide variety of library services to all.

Respectfully submitted,

BETTY WATSON, Librarian

Amherst Town Library
Treasurer's Report

For Year Ending January 6, 1976

INCOME

Balance 1-3-75	$ 212 90
From Town Trust Funds	1,166 80
Town Appropriation	31,295 00
Gifts for Books	64 07
For binding Cabinet:	
Dorothy Davis	32 00
Violet Connors	32 00
Mrs. Roger Clemons, towards mezz. table	100 00
Sam & Alys Warren Book Fund	21 47
Received for lost books	162 24
Gift University Women	5 00
Friends of Library for	
Middle School Summer Library	108 00
Women's Club for Summer Read. Program	75 85
Fines	1,682 47
	$34,957 80

EXPENDITURES

	Spent 1975	Budget 1976
Librarians' Salaries	$20,120 70	$23,026 00
Middle Sch. Summer Library	108 00	500 00
Summer Reading Program	75 85	
Custodian	1,440 00	1,584 00

Books:	
Town Funds	$4,117 40
Gifts	64 07
Warren Fund	21 47

Lost Books	162 24		
From Fines	1,344 24		
		5,709 42	6,400 00
Records		226 60	250 00
Magazines		468 76	600 00
Bindings, supplies		1,033 24	1,100 00
Bldg. & Grnds.		1,035 34	800 00
Phone		333 92	375 00
Electric Lights		1,178 58	1,580 00
Heat (oil & elect.)		1,332 34	1,400 00
Mezzanine Table		166 10	
Miscellaneous		350 87	500 00
		$33,579 72	$38,115 00

General Fund Balance	$ 1,039 85
Fines Balance	338 23
In Checking Account 1-6-76	$ 1,378 08
Request Appropriation for '76	$36,075 15
General Fund Balance	1,039 85
Expected from Trust Funds	1,000 00
	$38,115 00

E. DANIEL JOHNSON, Treasurer

Funds Held by Library Trustees

In Amherst Bank & Trust Co.:	
Past Gifts by Anna Mosher	$ 800 00
Gift Honora Spalding	500 00
Jennifer Carlsmith Memorial (bal.)	130 02
Laura & James F. Wanless Memorial	690 67
Dividends	119 68
	$ 2,240 37

In Souhegan National Bank:	
667 Shares Avco Stock given by Anna Mosher Boardman in December 1974 and sold in October 1975, to be used to air condition the Library, proceeds deposited in Savings Account	$ 3,633 25
Dividend to Dec. 31, 1975	31 99
	$ 3,665 24

Town Trust Officers hold for Trustees 59 Shares MIT Stock in the Sam & Alys Warren Book Fund.

E. DANIEL JOHNSON, Treasurer

Auditors' Report

We have examined the accounts of the following Town Officers: Selectmen, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, Road Agent, Trustees of Trust Funds, Treasurer of Library, and find them correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

ORSON H. BRAGDON
MAURICE MARTEL

Report of Town Audit

FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING

Statement of Revenue, Expenditure, Encumbrances and Fund Balance

Available Funds, Jan. 1, 1975		$16,821 49
Added Revenue:		
Entitlement Payments	$26,419 00	
Interest	869 59	
		27,288 59
Total Available Funds		$44,110 08
Less Expenditures:		
Operating/Maintenance Expenses:		
Environmental Protection	$5,266 70	
Capital Expenditures:		
Health	15,500 00	
Public Safety	4,000 00	
Other: Chipper	5,566 00	
		30,332 70
Available Cash Dec. 31, 1975		$13,777 38
Less: Encumbrances 12-31-75		
Public Safety		4,259 42
Available Unobligated Funds		$ 9,517 96

Board of Adjustment

1975 ANNUAL REPORT

As a result of the March 1975 Town Meeting, the Board of Adjustment became the responsible agent for the approval/disapproval of all home occupation applications, requiring letters to all abuttors.

During 1975, the Board of Adjustment held 12 meetings to hear 13 Variances and 19 Special Exceptions, an overall increase of 17 cases since 1974. Granted were 10 Variances, 15 Special Exceptions. Denied were 2 Variances, 4 Special Exceptions. Withdrawn was 1 Variance.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT – 1975

C. THOMAS CARSON, Chairman
ARNOLD C. DICKINSON, Vice-Chairman
ROGER M. BROWN, Secretary
ROSEMARY DALY (replacing Beverly Ager, who resigned in October)
RUSSELL T. STEEVES

Zoning Administrator's Report

1975

With 97 new houses and a total of 414 permits, 1975 had 50% more construction volume than 1974, with the last quarter of 1975 being the most active fourth quarter ever. This recent increase in activity coupled with a survey of local contractors indicates that 1976 will be the most active year in Amherst's history. This has prompted my request for additional help, as one person cannot properly carry out all the tasks of this department.

As many people may not be familiar with what all the Zoning Administrator does, I have included this summary of duties:

Works with: Citizens, Board of Selectmen, Planning Board, Board of Adjustment, State of N.H., Health Officer, Conservation Comm., Historic Dist. Comm., Fire Department, Road Agent, Other Towns, Regional Plan. Comm.

Processes applications for: All construction permits, Septic system permits, Planning Board meetings, Board of Adjustment, Dredge & Fill permits.

Makes inspections for: All structural work, All septic system work, Test pits & percolation tests, All zoning matters, Wetlands, etc.

With the help of Mrs. Wells and Mrs. Landry, good progress has been made on improving our files, but more is to be done, so work is continuing as time allows. Good progress was also made in several other areas as a completely new set of Water Pollution Control Regulations are now ready for adoption early in 1976, after much work with our Health Officer, Dr. Starke, and people from federal, state and local agencies. Preparations are also under way to adopt the BOCA Building Code, already adopted by several neighboring towns, which will provide a better code for Amherst, and a uniform code for the region.

Approximately 2,615 inspections were made during the year, and many extra hours were spent working with groups such as the Planning Board and its Master Plan Program, with a total of 52 meetings attended during the year, outside regular working hours.

Perhaps the most significant step forward this year was the decision by the Selectmen, after proper legal research, to use the summons and arrest procedures of District Court for the enforcement of the Zoning Ordinance, Water Pollution Control Regulations and Building Code. This allows a much more immediate action by the town against such violations, and has been used several times this year with good success.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Permit Type	1975		1974		1973	
	#	$ Value	#	$ Value	#	$ Value
New Dwellings	97	4,118,230	65	3,063,810	155	6,113,000
Public Build.	0	——	0	——	1	1,612,000
Comm. & Ind.	5	308,000	9	509,500	11	1,134,000
Add. & Alt.	93	395,750	82	288,404	77	312,250
Gar. & Barns	21	86,900	26	109,650	29	58,900
Utility Build.	12	6,250	6	2,289	16	7,265
Fences	30	11,150	20	5,950	10	2,230
Pools	16	45,000	19	57,985	12	39,600
Signs	17	2,920	13	3,260	21	1,650
Home Occupations	14	——	6	——	18	——
Earth Removal	3	——	3	3,000	0	——
New Septic	49	68,600	—	——	—	——
Septic Repairs	48	38,750	18	23,425	29	1,075
Misc.	9	9,600	0	——	0	——
Totals	414	5,091,150	267	4,067,273	379	9,281,970
Income		$15,968.75		$10,253.90		$5,928.46
Expenses		$13,894.25		$10,839.18		$8,964.86

Respectfully submitted,
ROBERT J. BARTON, Zoning Administrator

Planning Board

1975 was a most active year for the Planning Board and its advisory panel, the Sounding Board. The normal activities of the Planning Board in reviewing requests for subdivisions and examining sites for road construction, etc. were augmented by work and study required to formulate a Master Plan for Amherst. Active members of the Sounding Board worked closely with the Planning Board to determine purposes and establish goals which would preserve the open, rural, small town character of Amherst while avoiding those effects of rapid growth which are considered objectionable by most Amherst residents. The proposed changes to the Zoning Ordinance embody much of the Master Plan. There is still more to be accomplished.

The Planning Board instituted its Regulations for Non-residential Site Plan Review in 1975. These regulations will ensure proper accesses for safety, good landscaping, tasteful signs, adequate off-street parking, and other sensible controls on new commercial and industrial developments.

In 1975 the Planning Board also instituted new regulations on earth and gravel removal. The regulations set certain standards of safety and environmental protection for earth removal operations in Amherst.

The Planning Board acknowledges the contribution of the hard-working members of the Sounding Board, who helped to create the Master Plan. The Board especially recognizes the contribution of Robert F. Jackson, former Chairman, and Charles Hood, former vice-Chairman, for their planning efforts on behalf of the Amherst of the future.

R. W. CROUTER, Chairman
SCOTT SUTHERLAND, Vice-Chairman
ROGER SMITH
JAMES SHILDNECK
ROBERT SUOMALA
HERBERT KOPF
ROBERT LOWN, ex-officio

A Synopsis of
THE MASTER PLAN
Amherst, New Hampshire
January, 1976

I Introduction

Amherst is located in one of the fastest growing areas in the United States. Southern New Hampshire represents a most desirable combination of living close to well-paying employment while allowing residents to "get back to the land", a desire felt more and more strongly as urban and suburban living loses its appeal. The pressure to grow is intense. The population of Amherst doubled in the decade of the 'sixties, and has almost doubled again in the five years since 1970. This growth cannot be stopped. However, it can be controlled by good planning.

Amherst is unique. In formulating a Master Plan, this uniqueness must be recognized and preserved. Of all the towns in this region, Amherst has evolved over two centuries into a very special place, unlike any other community in several ways. In its heyday, before the Industrial Revolution, Amherst was the social and political center of a primarily agricultural and hand crafted society. In those early days the pace of life was slower. The sense of community was greater. As the town evolved, its character and traditions were formed under conditions very different from those in which the mill towns, the railroad towns, the manufacturing towns in the vicinity later evolved during the Industrial Revolution. One needs only to walk through the historic village center at any season of the year to sense the unique character of this town. One needs only to stand at the top of any of the seven hills of Amherst on a clear day to sense the open rural beauty of the town as a whole.

It is these unique characteristics which attract people to Amherst. Ironically, unplanned growth threatens to destroy the very things which attracted so many people to Amherst in the first place. A further important consideration in the planning process is the financial one. How can

we preserve the town's uniqueness while providing all the services our citizens expect, and still afford to live here?

The Master Plan for Amherst must be based on:

(a) the physical and natural characteristics of the terrain,

(b) the historical evolution of the town to date,

(c) the expressed desires of the townspeople, and

(d) the fiscal realities of increasing costs and higher taxes in the face of continued rapid growth.

II Purposes

This Master Plan is created to provide a blueprint for action. Unless translated into action, the plan will fail. The plan presupposes action, both public and private, which will preserve those characteristics of the town which should be maintained, while minimizing those effects of rapid growth which the townspeople agree are undesirable. The Master Plan is designed to channel further development into those areas of town whose topography, soil types, drainage, slope, water supply and other features of terrain can best support development.

It is the purpose of the Plan to preserve and protect open space, waterways, and scenic areas for the enjoyment and well-being of all citizens.

It is the purpose of the Plan to preserve and protect the Historic Village District and its approaches so that a gem of colonial American architecture will be available for the edification of future generations.

It is the purpose of the Plan to ensure the health and vitality of the community by encouraging a diversity of people, a variety of age groups of different interests, economic levels, and backgrounds.

It is the purpose of the Plan to enhance the unity of community spirit and to encourage citizen participation in the affairs of the town.

It is the purpose of the Plan to encourage development which protects the environment and which also provides

a tax base which is both affordable and sufficient to meet the financial needs of the town.

In short, the purpose of the Master Plan is to undertake actions necessary to achieve those major goals for the town which are agreed to be desirable by a majority of its citizens.

III Goals

There are six major planning goals which are achievable and which, if achieved, will begin to fulfill the purposes enumerated above. These are:

1. Preserve and enhance the small town character of Amherst and its unique colonial village center.

2. Preserve and protect the open, rural character of the land, as well as its natural and scenic resources.

3. Encourage a vital community composed of a variety of types of people who feel a strong sense of community spirit.

4. Encourage a diversity of housing opportunities and housing types.

5. Minimize unsightly strip development along the town's major roads.

6. Encourage the development of clean, non-polluting industries and small, attractive commercial activity in those zones where such activities are permitted.

IV Implementation

To achieve the six major goals, the Master Plan calls for changes in the Amherst Zoning Ordinance and the formation of a non-profit private Land Trust, as described below. The Master Plan also requires continued scrutiny and, if necessary, revision to assure that the desired purposes are

served and that the desired goals are being achieved. The tools for the implementation of the Master Plan include the Amherst Zoning Ordinance, the Subdivision Regulations, the Non-residential Site Plan Regulations, the town tax maps, the town road maps, the Wetlands and Floodplain District Maps, the soils map, the hydrology, slopes, elevation and development suitability maps, and the Open Space Development Plan. Indeed this Master Plan is embodied in all of those documents and changes thereto. While the overall purposes and goals of the Master Plan will remain constant, it is envisioned that the tools of implementation will continue to be refined as more work and study are performed, and will be changed from time to time to accommodate to changing times. It is emphasized that this Master Plan is not a single inflexible document, but is embodied in all of the noted instruments and their interpretation by the various town officials, boards, and commissions.

The steps currently required to implement the Master Plan are seven in number. They are:

1. Incorporate zoning changes concerning commercial and industrial regulations, to limit the types of commercial activities and regulate setbacks, signs and frontage requirements to minimize traffic problems and unsightly strip development in the areas currently zoned and contemplated for commercial or industrial uses.

2. Provide for Open Space Development to encourage better planning for permanent open space in the design and layout of new developments, which in turn will provide for the establishment of additional recreational areas and a network of public trails throughout the town.

3. Establish scenic setbacks on major routes through town to preserve the rural and open character of Amherst and establish environmental setbacks on all waterways to preserve the purity of the town water supply and avoid erosion and pollution created by indiscriminate clearing and earth removal near streams and waterways.

4. Establish the Amherst Land Trust, a private, non-profit organization which can help the town maintain open space by acquiring land through gift or purchase, and by restricting the use and development of certain land by acquiring conservation easements, deed restrictions or development rights.

5. Establish a lower density of development in the still largely undeveloped northern area of the town where soils are less suitable for development. Utilize Open Space development to create imaginative plans for the optimum use of developable lands.

6. Retard development in the still largely undeveloped eastern area of the town until road accesses and other town services are upgraded to accommodate a higher density. Utilize Open Space Development to create imaginative plans for the optimum use of developable lands.

7. To balance the lower density of housing in the northern rural area of the town, make provisions under suitable controls for a limited number of multiple-family dwellings in those few areas of town where soils and drainage conditions will permit a higher density.

These seven steps represent only the immediate actions which should be undertaken to implement the Master Plan. The actual functioning of the Amherst Land Trust, the exact location of open lands and easements required for a trail system, the means by which the town can provide water service and fire protection to the industrial zone, and many other significant details remain to be resolved. At this stage the important fact is that the Master Plan has taken form and substance in a statement of purpose and goals to be achieved. The proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance, if approved by the vote of the town, will put the process in motion. The full implementation is up to all of us.

Amherst Conservation Commission

1975 winds up ten years of conservation work by your Commission. In a period of rapid change and staggering increase in land values, we are both surprised and proud that we have been able to accomplish as much as we have in protecting watershed and wetland areas and, at the same time, acquire some 360 acres of recreation land.

Exploration of land acquisition opportunities, on site investigation of Dredge and Fill applications, improvement of current Commission managed land, and further mapping of wetlands were some of the activities the Commission was involved in.

Progress was made toward the goal of consolidating the Joe English and Plumb land by acquisition of the connecting land. Your Commission is working hard to obtain this conservation land at the least cost to the town. A warrant article will be considered at the town meeting for this purpose.

Members of the Commission have worked with the Sounding Board and Planning Board this past year and our efforts show in the scenic, environmental and open space articles of the Master Plan. Members are also incorporators of The Amherst Land Trust, which we think will be a very important tool in the struggle to retain open space in the future.

Trails were improved in the Joe English area. Thanks to Glenn Spargo and his Eagle Scout project, we have the new Eagle Trail in Joe English West.

A gift of approximately ten acres, located at the end of Thatcher Drive, was donated by Karl Norwood. Mostly wetlands, it is a wonderful sanctuary for birds and wildlife.

The Junior Women's Club has been very helpful in clearing trails in Joe English West. Cross country skiers should plan a trip to that area this winter.

The Commission also thanks the Amherst Gardeners for their generous donation, as well as for their offer to help establish wildflower gardens.

As is the custom, the Commission sponsored two people to Conservation Camp. Heather Trevathan and Barbara Morin attended this year.

Additional location and mapping of town wetlands was accomplished after much tramping around wet areas.

Numerous discussions of future activities and goals for the Conservation Commission were held. These goals include greater use of the Commission lands by school children, the establishment of cross town trails for hiking and horseback riding, further improvements on existing Commission land, and more easements like the Carlsmiths' to protect our streams and watersheds.

A very successful Fourth of July booth was erected and manned by members of the Commission, with an assist from our Zoning Administrator, Bob Barton. Much interest was shown by the townspeople in the displays and maps.

Commission members were active in the formulation of zoning changes to create setbacks from streams to protect the watershed and minimize erosion.

Enactment of this ordinance, in conjunction with additional voluntary easements, will go a long way toward protecting our streams.

All potential land acquisitions are carefully reviewed to assure that they abut existing Conservation land or serve a distinct purpose, such as protection of a stream.

The land currently managed by the Commission totals about 360 acres. Anyone wishing to donate land, or grant easements, should contact the Conservation Commission.

Amherst Recreation Commission

It has been said that through recreation, "life is put into life." In 1975 the Amherst Recreation Commission continued to make the adage come true for hundreds upon hundreds of Amherst families and citizens. At the same time the 1975 Commission took giant strides in foreseeing and planning the future of community recreation within the town.

A highlight of the year for Amherst recreation came in October when a full time Director of Community Recreation was hired as a town official to work with the Recreation Commission. The position was made possible by federal funds available to Amherst through the middle of 1976. The existence of such an office took little time to show a number of beneficial results:

1. The position is an easily accessible forum for the recreational needs and interests of Amherst citizens to become known.

2. More time and energy has become available for planning and developing ongoing, new, and future programs, activities, and recreational areas and facilities. This was shown at the end of 1975 with the organization of youth basketball and town ski lesson programs plus additional sports and leisure time activities being planned for Amherst in 1976.

3. More control and attention have become possible in the organization and administration of Amherst recreation requirements such as budget, a recreation survey of the town, and December meetings of Citizen Recreation Steering Committees.

4. The Amherst Recreation Commission has gained professional assistance and experience to do the job it is designed to accomplish.

Throughout 1975 participation was high in recreational

activities. During the spring, summer, and fall, 205 men, women, and children took tennis lessons. Tennis participation was further enhanced by a summer inter-town tennis league and local tennis tournaments for all ages. Programs in baseball, softball, and volleyball on informal and competitive levels attracted 358 boys and girls and 115 men and women. Fifteen adults took a pre-season golf program in the Wilkins School gymnasium in April.

A grand total of 1356 people held season membership to Baboosic Lake in 1975. Two hundred and fifty children and adults took advantage of swimming lessons, an increase of 100% over 1974. Over one hundred children from four to nineteen years of age participated in the eight-week Baboosic Lake Summer Crafts Program. Sixty-two guests registered at the beach during the season.

Formation of the Baboosic Lake Advisory Committee resulted in a comprehensive study of policies, procedures, and long range planning for the town owned recreational facility. Working during the summer and early fall, the Committee (1) developed a set of new rules and regulations for the 1976 season; (2) inaugurated a short and long term program of care and maintenance for the grounds and pavilion; (3) established new guidelines for qualifications and hiring of employees; (4) through the first of a series of dances, raised partial funds for the planned construction of a dock system in 1976.

Matching federal and town funds voted in 1975 resulted in arrangements being completed in late fall for reconstruction of two tennis courts on Davis Lane for use in 1976. A third court was resurfaced during the summer.

In 1975 the Amherst Recreation Commission developed a list of long range plans and priorities for recreation in the community:

1. To obtain the services of a permanent full time Director of Community Recreation.

2. To construct additional town tennis courts at the Middle School.

3. To further develop and study the Baboosic Lake program and facility.

4. To establish a year round program of leisure time activities and events for Amherst citizens of all ages and interests.

5. To help create more recreational areas in and for the community.

We would like to extend a sincere vote of thanks to Amherst school administrators, town organizations involved in recreational activities, and parents who served as volunteers for their cooperation and contributions to Amherst recreation in 1975.

SUE BLAKEMAN, Chairman
BRUCE FRASER
SUSAN KIERSTEAD
KEITH HILLER
CLARK STEWART

Department of Civil Preparedness

Report — 1975

The Department of Civil Preparedness has set up an emergency operations center at the Brick School. This center will be available for use by town department heads when the town's emergency operations plan is put into use. A simulated training exercise was held in February which demonstrated the effectiveness of such a center. Participating in the exercise were personnel from the Selectmen's office, fire department, police department, highway department, school department, rescue squad, health department, and the civil preparedness department. The simulated exercise was used to test the emergency operation plan, as well as the smooth functioning of the emergency operation center.

Through the civil preparedness office, a truck was obtained for the fire department at no cost to the town. The fire department has converted this truck into a tanker to be housed at the south station.

During 1976 the Civil Preparedness Office will be working with all town departments to increase their readiness for any emergency which could arise.

Amherst Rescue Squad

The Amherst Rescue Squad completed its third full year of rescue service to the town, and its first full year of ambulance service. The new ambulance was put into service the first of May, and has been active since then.

The Squad responded to 211 emergencies in 1975 as follows:

34	Highway accidents
63	Home accidents
75	Home illnesses
23	Fires
13	Miscellaneous
157	Transports to hospital
3	Mutual aid calls out of town
2	Mutual aid calls into town
204	Total number of people assisted
37	Responses to Mont Vernon

This activity represents a 70% increase in the number of calls and number of people assisted.

The following are training programs which are available to members of the Squad. These programs assure that our town has 24-hour coverage with personnel who are well trained to man the ambulance and the rescue truck, and to provide capable first aid care in an emergency situation.

Emergency Medical Technician program — 81 hours
Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation course — 12 hours
Automobile Extrication — 14 hours
Squad drills and meetings — 50 hours yearly

There are presently 36 active members of the Squad. Of these, 33 are licensed ambulance attendants, 32 are EMT's (3 are currently enrolled in an EMT course). Each member volunteers over 1,000 hours of duty time each year.

The Squad wishes to thank the town for its support of the first annual dance, held in September. Donations received from this event have been a great help in equipping the ambulance and members.

ROY E. MASTON, Director
Civil Preparedness

Amherst American Revolution Bicentennial Committee

During the past year, The Amherst American Revolution Bicentennial Committee has been involved in many functions and activities to commemorate our country's two hundred years of history. We have continued within the three activity areas begun in 1974.

HERITAGE: A map has been completed of the old burial ground behind the Town Hall. This was accomplished by high school students and committee members. We hope to finalize this project with permanent maps and records. A walking tour of historic homes in the village is now available and has been well received by visitors and townspeople alike. A wreath was laid on the grave of General Moses Nichols on Memorial Day. Books have been donated to school and town libraries.

FESTIVAL: An Arts and Crafts Show was held in the spring with many area craftsmen participating. A contradance was held at the Baboosic Lake Pavilion featuring music of colonial times. A large turnout attended the Bicentennial Ball at the Amherst Country Club on the Fourth of July. As a means of raising money the committee sold chances on a picnic basket donated by an Amherst craftsman, sold the popular tri-cornered hats, and sold stationery depicting the weathervane on the top of the Congregational Church steeple. A Bicentennial program is being planned for the schools.

HORIZON: Many groups, together with the Bicentennial Committee have made plans for presenting our country's history.

During 1975, nearly half of our expenses were paid by fund-raising efforts by many hard working committee members. We would like to thank all town groups who held bicentennial programs to help spark enthusiasm for the coming year.

In 1976, some of our important projects will be: completion of the Town burial ground mapping, contributing to the Wigwam restoration, participating in the Memorial Day and Fourth of July parades, purchasing bunting for Town buildings, an Arts and Crafts Show, sale of hats, stationery, patches, and a reprint of the Amherst Commemorative Booklet, obtaining two hundred trees, and renovation of one of the Town Commons.

We, on the Bicentennial Committee, hope to help many groups and citizens in planning Bicentennial events. Your cooperation and suggestions have been appreciated in the past and we look forward to helping you celebrate our country's great past as we lay in the groundwork for the future.

THOMAS P. GRELLA, Chairman

Joe Hoag
Kathy Magill
Dot Davis
Audrey Spalding
Roz Buchanan
Mary Steeves
Theresa Greenblatt
Effa Wishart
Bob Wishart
Larry Starke
Mike Jarvinen
Phil Trasatti
Peter Bergin
Bob Crouter
Amherst Advisory Committee
Hon. Nelle L. Holmes
Hon. G. Winthrop Brown
Edwin F. Locke
Joseph Ryan

Nashua Mental Health Association

Community Council of Greater Nashua (mental health services) requests the Town of Amherst to give consideration to funding them $1,240. This amount represents an increase of $240 over the $1,000 amount granted in 1974, and is based on Community Council's actual history of treating 24% more patients from Amherst in 1975. The total Amherst patients treated in 1975 was 83 compared to 67 the previous year, and the funds requested represent simply the *deficit portion of those patients treated.

*that portion not covered by patient fees

Souhegan Nursing Association

The Souhegan Community Nursing Association, the home health agency serving Milford, Amherst, and Mont Vernon, offers nursing care, physical therapy, and disease prevention programs for a minimal fee to residents regardless of age or economic situation.

The nurses and physical therapist carry out doctor's orders at their building located on North River Road, Milford, as well as at patients' homes. A referral to this agency can be made by a patient, member of patient's family, another agency, or a physician.

There is an immunization clinic, for which there is no charge, held the first Tuesday morning of every month for all pre-school aged children. Concurrently, a child health clinic, presided by Dr. Wendy Tinklepaugh, a pediatrician, is held for pre-school aged children whose parents would find it difficult to obtain well child care and education from a private physician.

Other programs during 1975 have been an adult hearing clinic, a cancer clinic for women, dental screening for 3 to 6 year olds, flu shot clinic, and blood pressures are taken at the Elderly Nutrition Program.

Equipment such as hospital beds, walkers, canes and crutches are loaned without charge.

JOAN WATERHOUSE, Director

Amherst Town Government Study Committee Report

At the Town Meeting held in March 1975, the Town voted to establish a Government Study Committee as a Standing Committee.

This Committee is charged to conduct a continual study of all aspects of town government and to make appropriate recommendations at Annual Town Meetings.

Your Committee has devoted over two hundred forty man hours in discussion and research of suggested changes in our town government. Initially, studies were made of specific Articles contained in the 1975 Town Warrant which were not adopted but rather deferred until they were subjected to review as part of an overall study and plan. Such Articles referred to the adoption of the Municipal Budget Law, changing the term of office of the Town Clerk and Tax Collector, and abolition of the elective office of Highway Agent.

It was the consensus of the Committee that interests of the Town would be best served to continue the office of Highway Agent on an elected basis rather than to have him appointed by the executive branch of our town government.

After discussions with the Ways and Means Committee and researching other towns, we came to the conclusion that it would serve no useful purpose to the Town at this point to adopt the provisions of the law and create a Municipal Budget Committee. At the present time, prime responsibility for budgets presented to the voters rests with the Board of Selectmen and School Board. Such officials are directly responsible to the voters and their performance may determine their remaining in office.

The Annual Town Warrant will include an Article providing for a three year term for the Tax Collector. It is the intention of the Committee to recommend at the 1977 Town Meeting that the term of office of the Town Clerk also be of three years. In our judgment, it is more advantageous to the Town to stagger the two offices, rather than have

the terms of these important officials expire the same year.

The Committee has established communication with the Ways and Means Committee, School Board and Board of Selectmen. Discussions of a general nature have been held. We shall continue to view various aspects of Town Government, research, discuss and make appropriate recommendations to the voters. We feel that it is vitally important that long range planning be our goal – that change for the sake of change is undesirable. Suggestions from citizens would be welcomed. Appreciation and thanks go to our various town departments and the League of Women Voters for assisting us.

J. MERRILL HINES, Chairman
EVELYN B. DUDLEY
BURTON S. KNIGHT
INGRID E. MICHAELIS
PAUL L. SAVAGE

REPORT FROM THE SOUHEGAN REGIONAL LANDFILL DISTRICT

Since the agreement with the towns of Mont Vernon, Amherst, Brookline and Hollis was adopted at their respective town meetings, the Souhegan Regional Landfill District Committee has spent much time and effort in producing what it feels at this time is the best overall approach to solving the member towns' household refuse disposal problems.

Because this District and committee are the first of their kind in the state (formed according to RSA 53B) and perhaps the first such organization in New England, little if any information was available for guidance; thus more time and money were spent on the necessary "start-up," i.e., engineering, consultation, legal fees and site preparation, etc., than originally estimated. This, however, is both prudent and advantageous for it assures us of the protection of the environment and of the most inexpensive approach to solid waste disposal both in initial capital outlay and estimated operating costs.

Despite setbacks, we will, at the time of this publication, have seen the landfill in operation and the sending towns' transfer stations newly established and ready to serve the communities.

There will be problems to be worked out, as with any new system, so we ask the towns' patience and cooperation during these coming months. We welcome any public participation, comments or suggestions. We submit the following review of expenditures for our fiscal period of July 1, 1975 to December 5, 1975, and also committed expenditures for the remainder of our fiscal year to June 30, 1976.

July 1, 1975 to December 5, 1975

Income – Operating:		
Loan	$ 1,000 00	
Towns	34,909 00	
Interest	108 18	
Bid Deposits	160 00	
	————	$36,177 18

Expenditures:		
Start-Up:		
Official Seal (required)	$ 277 00	
Advertising	456 01	
Signs	207 50	
Site Preparation	15,015 00	
Engineering	3,565 51	
Misc.	372 06	
Legal	233 00	
		20,076 08
Administrative		878 40
Salaries — Landfill Site		1,767 34
Maintenance:		
Shelter	$ 30 47	
Equipment	259 79	
Fuels	232 32	
		522 58
Land Rental		1,000 00
Repayment — Loan		1,000 00
Insurance		606 00
Total as of 12-5-75		$25,850 40
Balance 12-5-75		$10,326 78
Expenditures estimated — Dec.:		
Surveying	$1,300 00	
Engineer	500 00	
Salaries — Dec.	1,100 00	
Eq. Res. (Budget 7-1-75)	4,000 00	
Lease Rental — Amherst	1,000 00	
Legal	350 00	
Insurance	500 00	
Fuel	150 00	
Misc.	1,000 00	
		9,900 00
Balance		$ 426 78

January 1, 1976 to June 30, 1976

Income from towns as per budget 7-1-75		$31,333 50
Operating Budget (Estimated)		
Land Rental	$ 2,000 00	
Salaries	7,300 00	
Equipment Reserve	7,850 00	
Equipment Maintenance	5,000 00	
Shelter Maintenance	300 00	
Fuel	1,500 00	
Administrative	250 00	
Insurance	600 00	
Misc.	1,200 00	
	$26,000 00	
Interest 3-15-76	5,258 00	
		31,258 00
		$ 75 50

Selectmen's Narrative

Once again, as we come to the end of another year, it is time for us to review our accomplishments and reflect on the many things still to be done.

We would like to thank all the various Boards, Commissions, Committees, trustees, Department Heads and employees. It is through their efforts and dedication that our jobs are made easier and we are able to accomplish our goals.

By action taken at the last Town Meeting, the Board was authorized to purchase an ambulance. The vehicle was placed in service in May and has proven to be a tremendous asset to the citizens of the Town. We have also worked out an agreement with Mont Vernon whereby we are able to handle their needs as well on a contract basis. Our Rescue Squad is well trained and a great credit to themselves and the Town.

Several hearings have been held under the new Earth Removal Ordinance, and three permits were issued to date. Some restrictions were inserted in these permits for the benefits of the citizens.

During the year our first full time Police Chief, James Tinker, resigned after four years of excellent service. Thirty-nine applicants were screened for the position, and the top candidate emerged from within our own department. On November 1st, Sergeant John Osborn was appointed the new Chief.

The Regional Land Fill opened its gates late in the year, and the Town was finally able to close down its own dump. It appears at this time that all of the problems have not been solved, but they are being worked on and answers will be forthcoming. The site should offer us from 15 to 20 years of service.

The Bicentennial Committee has been very active preparing for a great 1976. The extent of this activity will depend on you, the voter, when the Committee presents their program and request for additional funds at Town Meeting.

The past eighteen months has seen the Sounding Board,

in conjunction with the Planning Board, spending many hours working to create a new Master Plan for the Town. Even though they have had outside consultants working with them, it has really been these two Boards that have designed our format to control and channel the growth of Amherst.

The South Amherst Fire Station was completed in October, and the new fire truck arrived at the end of the year. As soon as all the communication equipment is in place we will have an official dedication. With the increased building, both Commercial and Residential, in this section of Town, this facility will certainly serve the needs of the district.

Even in times of a declining economy we saw our Town experience a continuing growth in new homes and businesses. However, we are advised that this growth will be even greater next year. This brings us to the question of whether or not we are ready for a Building Inspector, due to the increased load placed upon our Zoning Administrator. We will have this question ready for your vote by Town Meeting.

As we are all aware, no one can live on Social Security, and we will be asking you for your support in establishing a retirement program for our full time employees. All full time Police are automatically enrolled in the New Hampshire State Retirement System. This privilege has never been extended to our other employees. We strongly urge that you recognize their service and endorse this most worthwhile program.

We were very pleased with the tax rate for the past year. Even though we had a small increase overall, the Town portion of the tax was down $1.03 from the previous year, in spite of taking $5,019,560 off of the gross valuation for Land Use adjustments. This involved 185 property owners and 7717 acres.

We are again recommending that you consider the adoption of twice a year tax billing, to become effective May of 1977. This will allow us to reduce our borrowing and put the Town on a cash basis rather than on 11 months deficit

expenditure as we presently operate. In conjunction with this, we will then recommend to the Town a change in the fiscal year conforming with that used by the School, State, and Federal Governments, to become effective in 1978. The obvious advantage of this will be to allow department heads to begin the year with the amount of money available known to them rather than to be three months into the year before the appropriation is approved in March.

Through the use of Federal Funds we were able to establish the position of Recreation Director. This grant runs out on June 30th, and we are proposing that you consider the continuation of this service to the Town through the allocation of Revenue Sharing Funds for the balance of 1976.

At this writing we are studying the problems of the bridges in Town. With the advice and counsel of the Road Commission we expect to have an Article for your consideration by Town Meeting.

We would be remiss if we did not take note of the contribution that the Junior Women's Club has made to the Town in this Bicentennial Year by their community improvement project, the redecoration of the Town offices. Through their assistance and the generosity of a private citizen the offices have taken on a new look, and we invite your inspection.

FRANCIS N. PERRY, Chairman
EDWARD C. MASTEN
ROBERT G. LOWN

Amherst Village District Warrant

The State of New Hampshire

The polls will open at 8:00 p.m.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Amherst in Hillsborough County in said State, qualified to vote in

DISTRICT AFFAIRS

You are notified to meet at Town Hall in said Amherst on Friday, the 12th day of March next at 8:00 P. M. in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary officers (District Officers) for the ensuing year.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray District charges for the ensuing year.

3. To see if the District will give the Commissioners and District Treasurer the authority to borrow money in anticipation of District taxes.

4. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this 12th day of February 1976.

HOWARD W. BOOTHROYD
CARL DOANE
ROGER O. TOPLIFFE
Commissioners of Amherst Village District

Amherst Village District

The Amherst Village District has enjoyed a year without a major problem with the system.

Mr. Carl E. Doane was elected as a commissioner at the Annual Meeting to fill the unexpired term of Eugene I. Roe, who submitted his resignation.

Commissioners Carl Doane and Howard Boothroyd attended a Seminar in April conducted by the New England Municipal Center to become acquainted with the "Safe Drinking Water Act," which was signed into law on December 16, 1974. The Environmental Protection Agency will administer the act through the State Water Supply and Pollution Control Commission. Interim standards have been formulated and eventually will have an impact on the District Water System. In essence, financial responsibility to comply will rest with the individual Water Utility.

As noted in last year's report, work was scheduled and monies appropriated to replace valves and piping at the pumphouse. The work is 90% completed, and plans are to finish this work in the Spring.

Approximately 65 subscribers have found it convenient to pay the first three quarterly water payments ($22.50) at the first billing, thus saving time and expense both for themselves and the District Office. We encourage other subscribers to consider adopting this policy.

In closing we regret the passing of Mr. Lewis F. Sawyer this past year. He served as District Treasurer from 1952-1954.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

HOWARD W. BOOTHROYD, Chairman
CARL E. DOANE
ROGER O. TOPLIFFE
Commissioners of The Amherst Village District

Amherst Village District
Balance Sheet

December 31, 1975

ASSETS

Cash on Hand Dec. 31, 1974	$11,496 64	
Accounts Receivable, including Dec. 31 bills	5,378 22	
		$ 16,874 86
Water System:		
Land & Buildings	$ 15,000 00	
Well, Pump, Control Equip., Mains & Tank, etc.	150,252 71	
		165,252 71
Total Assets		$182,127 57

LIABILITIES

Bonds Payable	$25,000 00	
Accounts Payable	1,200 00	
		$ 26,200 00
Excess of Assets over Liabilities		155,927 57
		$182,127 57

Amherst Village District
Budget

Estimates of Receipts and Expenditures for the coming year
January 1 to December 31, 1976

Estimates and Actual Receipts and Expenditures of previous year
January 1, 1975 to December 31, 1975

ACCOUNT	Estimated 1975	Received 1975	Estimated 1976
Cash on hand Jan. 1	$ 760.82	$ 760.82	$ 205.74
Capital Reserve Jan. 1	3,568.78	3,568.78	10,486.31
Stock, Manchester Bank	500.00	500.00	500.00
	$ 4,829.60	$ 4,829.60	$11,192.05
Income Water Service			
Prior Year 4th quarter	$ 5,123.84	$ 5,122.75	$ 5,378.22
1st three quarters	5,400.00	5,400.00	5,100.00
	$10,523.84	$10,522.75	$10,478.22
Other Income, Misc.			
Hydrant Rental	$ 1,755.00	$ 1,755.00	$ 1,755.00
Precinct Tax	6,859.91	6,859.91	***3,043.03
Interest	500.00	195.41	500.00
Water for Pools		283.75	
	$ 9,114.91	$ 9,094.07	$ 5,298.03
TOTALS	$24,468.35	$24,446.42	$26,968.30

EXPENDITURES

Bonds	$ 5,000.00	$ 5,000.00	$ 5,000.00
Interest	618.75	618.75	506.25
Supt. Salary	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,100.00
Ass't. Supt. Salary	600.00	600.00	600.00
Tax Collector	200.00	200.00	200.00
Clerk-Treas.	800.00	800.00	800.00
Auditors	20.00	20.00	20.00
Meters & Repairs	600.00	114.26	600.00
Electricity	3,000.00	3,015.14	3,200.00
Operating Sup. & Main.	7,000.00	1,358.34	3,000.00
Office Supplies	400.00	193.88	400.00
Insurance	300.00	234.00	350.00
Cash on Hand	760.82	205.74	205.74
Stock	500.00	500.00	500.00
Cap. Reserve	3,568.78	10,486.31	10,486.31
	$24,468.35	$24,446.42	$26,968.30

***To be raised by taxes 1976 assessed against property WITHIN THE VILLAGE DISTRICT.

Synopsis of Town Meeting

March 4, 1975

Acting under Warrant for Town Meeting, polls were opened at at 7:00 a.m. and closed at 7:00 p.m. at Wilkins School. Ballot clerks were Marion Sortevik, Sue Blakeman, Catherine Kruger, Cynthia Kennedy, Marie Grella, Evelyn Dudley, and Margaret Wells. Assisting the voters was Allan Howard. Moderator Wight, Town Clerk Bernice Boothroyd, School Clerk Louise Ainsworth and Barbara Landry had charge of the voting. Selectman Francis Perry was present during the day. Supervisors of the Checklist were Audrey Spalding, Rosemary Biddle and Robert Wishart. The total ballots cast were 1411.

Results of the election were:

Selectman, Robert Lown, 1 yr.
Selectman, Edward Masten, 3 yrs.
Town Clerk, Bernice Boothroyd
Tax Collector, Barbara Landry
Treasurer, Marion Sortevik
Road Agent, Richard Crocker
Trustee of Trust Funds, G. Winthrop Brown
Trustee of Library, W. Ryland Cox
Trustee of Library, E. Daniel Johnson
Board of Adjustment, Russell Steeves
Auditor, Orson H. Bragdon
Auditor, Maurice Martel

Summary of Meeting:

Articles 1 through 12 were voted by ballot during the day.

Article 1. Election of Officers as stated above.

Article 2. Amendment A: To enclose all swimming pools or family pools.

YES 734 NO 677

Amendment B: To change the area between Limbo Lane and Route 101 Bypass from Rural to Commercial.

YES 719 NO 672

Amendment C: To allow multi-unit residential dwellings for persons over 55 years to be made a permitted use by special exception in the Rural District.

YES 1004 NO 378

Amendment D: To provide for more complete regulation of Earth Material Removal.

YES 1116 NO 225

Amendment E: That a special exception or variance, granted by the Board of Adjustment, must be used within 90 days.

YES 1012 NO 311

Amendment F: To empower the Planning Board to review site plans for non-residential developments.

YES 1123 NO 217

Amendment G: To provide more regulation of Commercial and Industrial Districts.

YES 1044 NO 277

Amendment H: To add certain areas to the Wetlands Map.

YES 1103 NO 205

Amendment I: To allow a home occupation as a use permitted only by special exception in the Residence, Lakeside, Rural and Transition Districts.

YES 854 NO 442

Amendment J: More regulation of private ways.

YES 892 NO 418

Article 3. (by petition) DOG ORDINANCE

YES 626 NO 740

Article 4. (by petition) The creation of a continuing standing Government Study Committee to be appointed by the Moderator and consist of 5 members.

YES 999 NO 328

Article 5. (by petition) Increasing the Board of Selectmen to Five Members.

YES 940 NO 430

Article 6. (by petition) Three year term of office for Tax Collector.

YES 683 NO 701

Article 7. (by petition) Three year term of office for Town Clerk.

YES 643 NO 730

Article 8. To allow any legal resident of the Town of Amherst to apply to the Town Clerk to have his name added to the checklist.

YES 1206 NO 153

Article 9. Town Manager form of Government effective in 1976.

YES 260 NO 1088

Article 10. Municipal Budget Law effective 1977 and if so Budget Comm. to be elected 1976 Town Meeting.

YES 534 NO 769

Article 11. Semi-annual form of tax billing.

YES 512 NO 839

Article 12. To abolish the office of Highway Agent as elective and allow the Selectmen to appoint the Highway Agent.

YES 336 NO 1038

Article 13. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $619,243.66 for town charges.

Article 14. Voted to give the Selectmen and the Town Treasurer the authority to borrow in anticipation of taxes.

Article 15. Voted to authorize the transfer of Federal Revenue Sharing Funds in the amount of $5,356.39 as follows:

A. $4,712.95 apply towards land purchase of Sanitary Land Fill.

B. $643.44 transferred to Total Available Revenue Sharing Funds for allocation in 1975.

Article 16. Voted to authorize the withdrawal from Revenue Sharing Funds for use as set offs against the appropriations for 1975 in the amounts indicated in Art. 17, 18, 19.

Estimated Receipts of FRS Funds 1975	$24,264.00
Accumulated Interest on RSF 1974	851.98
Transfer from unexpended Bal. Art. 4, 1973	643.44
	$25,759.42

Article 17. Voted to appropriate the sum of $6,000.00 to purchase a Wood-chipper and authorize withdrawal of the amount required from the Revenue Sharing Funds.

Article 18. Voted to appropriate the sum of $4,259.42 to purchase a Police Cruiser and authorize withdrawal of the amount required from Revenue Sharing Funds.

Article 19. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $25,000.00 to purchase and equip an ambulance on a substitute motion by Selectmen.

Article 20. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $31,000.00 to purchase a Fire Truck to be delivered and paid for in 1975 (fiscal).

Article 21. Voted to raise and appropriate $1,500.00 for the Amherst Bicentennial Comm.

$500.00 in 1975 and $1,000.00 in 1976.

Article 22. (by petition) Voted to raise and appropriate $16,500.00 (on a substitute motion by the Ways and Means Comm.) for reconstruction of two public tennis courts on Davis Lane.

Article 23. (by petition) Voted to pass over Article 23.

Article 24. Voted NOT to allow the New Hampshire Housing Commission to operate in Amherst.

Article 25. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $67,578.00 for a Fire Truck to replace Engine No. 1 at central fire station, delivered and paid for in 1977.

The following resolution presented by John Freeman of Ways and Means Comm. was **defeated.**

Will the Town vote to accept the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The Town of Amherst voted in November 5, 1974 to authorize the selectmen to act as a franchising authority with respect to the franchise and regulation of cable television systems; and

WHEREAS, There is a nationwide body of experience of both large and small communities — communities successfully negotiating franchise arrangements with local TV companies; and

WHEREAS, The selectmen have not yet entered into negotiations with the local cable TV Co. to secure a franchise arrangement beneficial to the Town of Amherst;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Town Meeting of Amherst, to urge the selectmen to procede expeditiously to enter into negotiations with the local cable TV company to secure a franchise arrangement beneficial to the town.

Mr. Eger of Ways and Means Comm. read a newspaper clipping applauding the Carlsmith Easement to the Conservation Commission.

Meeting recessed at 10:50 p.m. to finish tallying the ballot votes.

Meeting adjourned at 12 midnight.

Respectfully submitted,
BERNICE G. BOOTHROYD, Town Clerk

Marriages Registered in the Town of Amherst, N. H.
For the Year Ending December 31, 1975

Date and Place	*Name of Bride and Groom*	*Name of Officiant*
Jan. 4, Manchester	Del Foster Richmond Susan Gail Akerley	Rev. David B. Shirley
Jan. 18, Milford	Ralph Charles Largy Joyce Lynn Litchfield	Rev. Louis A. Soucey
Jan. 18, Amherst	Maurice George Ledoux Rosalind Page Brooks	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
Jan. 18, Nashua	Daniel G. Jameson Martha J. Chaput	Jerome L. Silverstein Justice of the Peace
Jan. 19, Nashua	Ronald H. Delano Joan F. Murphy	Rev. Philip C. Crane
Feb. 15, Milford	Melvin S. Fredette Barbara F. Caskin	Rev. Gerald N. Scribner
Mar. 6, Nashua	Anthony R. Frontiero Marilyn D. Perry	Jerome L. Silverstein Justice of the Peace
Mar. 18, Nashua	David J. Taylor Nancy J. Munson	John D. Wilcox Justice of the Peace
Mar. 22, Amherst	Ronald J. Murro Carolyn R. Larson	Catherine A. Kruger Justice of the Peace
Apr. 6, Nashua	Cleveland Ashton Denise Laponsie	William J. Groff Justice of the Peace
Apr. 12, Amherst	Richard R. Heineke Jane E. Watts	Rev. Franklin E. Huntress, Jr.
Apr. 12, Amherst	Scott R. Allen Diane LaBounty	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
Apr. 20, Amherst	Chester H. Morley, Jr. Laurette E. Burgeson	Rev. Kenneth J. Sanford
Apr. 26, Milford	David B. Plant Catherine E. Carr	Rev. Craig H. Richards
Apr. 26, Milford	Dean J. Martin Susan K. LaMontagne	Rev. Glen C. Bachelder
May 17, Amherst	Charles D. Grant Elizabeth S. Tremblay	Rev. John Ward
May 17, Amherst	Thomas E. Shimeld III Janice M. Finney	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
May 31, New Boston	Samuel W. Dane Claire I. Gionet	Rev. Walter R. Poole, Jr.
June 3, Amherst	J. A. Normand Martineau Sandra M. Sicotte James	Catherine A. Kruger Justice of the Peace
June 4, Amherst	John M. Davis Mary T. Hennegan	Catherine A. Kruger Justice of the Peace
June 7, Milford	Michael E. Fontaine Theresa J. Girouard	Rev. Joseph T. Fennessey
June 14, Amherst	David P. Arleo Candice A. Manoogian	Rev. Peter H. John
June 21, Nashua	Arthur S. Gilker Beatrice E. Hill	Barbara deClamecy Justice of the Peace
June 28, Milford	Perry W. Mason Rachel M. Cauthorn	Rev. Daniel W. Ferry
June 28, Simsbury, Ct.	Maynard G. Charron Jane M. Mohrman	Rev. Lyman G. Potter
July 4, Nashua	Gerald B. Brooker Paula L. Gebhardt	John D. Wilcox Justice of the Peace
July 11, Brookline	William A. Langille, Jr. Kyle M. Landry	Rev. Louis A. Soucey
July, 18, Milford	Robert P. Hunsaker Bette A. Gagnon	Rev. Louis A. Soucey
July 19, Laconia	Gary E. Bohrer Linda S. Nelson	Rev. Robert F. Cole
July 25, Manchester	Michael E. Mahaffey Lisa A. Angelini	Rev. Martin J. Mager
Aug. 2, Milford	Wayne A. Foulkes Susan A. Wilson	Rev. William B. Wylie
Aug. 9, Amherst	David R. Place Leslie A. Smith	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
Aug. 15, Manchester	Robert T. Kelliher Marilyn A. Mergrotti	Rev. Robert J. Kemmery

Date and Place	*Name of Bride and Groom*	*Name of Officiant*
Aug. 16, Chatham	P. David Walker Susan R. Wentworth	Rev. Thomas C. Roden
Aug. 23, Nashua	Christopher F. Ryan Linda L. Parison	Rev. John Burnell
Aug. 30, Nashua	Curtis L. Golden Kay Davis	Rev. Duane I. Berry
Aug. 30, Amherst	Joel B. Swets Jan E. Staples	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
Sept. 20, Nashua	Arthur H. Ledoux, Jr. Jeannette F. Cassidy	Eileen M. Gonthier Justice of the Peace
Oct. 4, Milford	Richard L. Few, Jr. Lucinda A. Lion	Rev. Howard A. Waterhouse
Oct. 4, Amherst	Mark M. Devine Leslie Terkow	Joseph Millimet Justice of the Peace
Oct. 17, Wilton	Robert E. Iannini Ann S. Willard	Fred C. Nelson Justice of the Peace
Nov. 8, Nashua	Francis S. Mynahan, Jr. Rita C. Roux	Rev. C. Goggin
Nov. 9, Amherst	David B. Trottier Deborah A. Holt	May C. Gaffney Justice of the Peace
Nov. 11, Amherst	Donald J. Dane Rosemarie D. Reardon	Catherine A. Kruger Justice of the Peace
Nov. 17, Merrimack	Ernest Heinemann Beulah Hoyt	Alfred R. Detour Justice of the Peace
Dec. 16, Plaistow	Philip J. Winn Phillis I. Ellyson	Rev. Duane Windemiller
Dec. 20, Amherst	Harry Judson Holcombe, Jr. Sharon Louise Burns	Rev. William B. Adams

Births Registered in the Town of Amherst, N. H.
For the Year Ending December 31, 1975

Date and Place	*Name of Child*	*Name of Father*	*Name of Mother*
1974			
Nov. 16, Nashua	Amy Lee Richardson	Stephen H. Richardson	Elna R. Johnson
Nov. 21, Nashua	Jonathan Hewitt McCoy	Lawrence K. McCoy	Mary V. Hewitt
Nov. 26, Nashua	Lesley Ann Szabunka	Stanley J. Szabunka	Linda F. Young
Dec. 5, Nashua	Carleen Marie Michie	Charles J. Michie	Joann Landry
Dec. 7, Nashua	Michael Anthony Federico	Carmen F. Federico	Barbara T. Mango
Dec. 14, Nashua	Kathleen Erin Twiss	Leonard A. Twiss	Camilie A. Piper
Dec. 16, Nashua	Kathleen Marie Day-Lewis	Frederick J. Day-Lewis	Marilyn R. M. LaFlamme
Dec. 24, Nashua	James Joseph Duquette	Richard W. Duquette	Mona C. Desjardins
Dec. 29, Nashua	Kelly Sara Wojcicki	Anthony M. Wojcicki	Cariline A. McChrystal
1975			
Jan. 7, Nashua	Christopher Huan Rhoades	Richard H. Rhoades	Trong Thi Nguyen
Jan. 22, Nashua	Kenneth Scott Heaton	Robert M. Heaton	Susan D. Yeaw
Jan. 26, Nashua	Erin Elizabeth Goddard	Charles R. Goddard	Deborah L. Manning
Feb. 9, Nashua	Bogart Salzberg	Steven L. Salzberg	Celeste Chagnon
Feb. 11, Manchester	Christine Elizabeth Mason	Richard A. Mason	Carol Moldawer
Feb. 23, Nashua	Melissa Ann Curcuru	Ronald L. Curcuru	Merrilyn F. Handren
Mar. 1, Manchester	Carl Randlett Hall	David R. Hall	Martha D. Franzen
Mar. 3, Nashua	Jean Parker Demers	Jean H. Demers	Nancy A. Parker
Mar. 8, Nashua	Daniel Edward Ledoux, Jr.	Daniel E. Ledoux	Deborah A. Case
Mar. 8, Nashua	Michael Robert Tiedemann	Charles R. Tiedemann, Jr.	Margaret J. McInnis
Mar. 9, Nashua	Eric Andrew Hall	Roger A. Hall	Priscilla E. Rice
Mar. 19, Nashua	Christina Ann Hatzopoulos	Anthony Hatzopoulos	Nancy E. Sandberg
Mar. 28, Nashua	Justin Ryan Bielagus	Justin S. Bielagus	Barbara A. Horn
Apr. 2, Lawrence, Ma.	Kyle Jason Schorman	Edward J. Schorman, Jr.	Eleanor M. Perron
Apr. 4, Manchester	Jennifer Lena Jolicoeur	Marc A. Jolicoeur	Jacqueline E. Boulanger
May 20, Nashua	Richard Alan McChesney	Robert A. McChesney	JoAnn K. Hall
June 1, Nashua	Shannon Ann Sullivan	Scott W. Sullivan	Shirley A. Christiansen
June 4, Nashua	Michael Joseph Levesque	George R. Levesque	Jeanne E. Cote
June 10, Winchester, Ma.	Courtney Elizabeth Curran	Michael A. Curran	Deborah C. Macbeth
June 11, Nashua	Christopher Donald Gower	William R. Gower	Irene Braga
June 13, Leominster, Ma.	Melissa Lynn Kimball	Gerald H. Kimball, Jr.	Annmarie Cullinan

Date and Place	*Name of Child*	*Name of Father*	*Name of Mother*
June 16, Manchester	Christopher James Pattison	James F. Pattison	Mary P. Masuhr
June 24, Nashua	Christine Allen	Scott R. Allen	Diane Labounty
June 26, Nashua	Christian Fitzpatrick Rioux	Laurent J. Rioux	Ruth E. Fitzpatrick
June 27, Nashua	Jane Elizabeth Hildebran	John D. Hildebran	Patricia A. Martin
July 7, Nashua	Susan Beach Whittaker	Christopher T. Whittaker	Joan Gibney
July 8, Nashua	James Thomas Hoag	Russell W. Hoag	Phyllis M. Gallant
July 11, Nashua	Stephen Lawrence Manning	Ronald A. Manning	Carol A. Duval
July 24, Nashua	Elizabeth Cornelia Wichman	William M. Wichman	Blanche I. Greene
Aug. 1, Nashua	Graham Uberto Browning	George U. Browning III	Theresa M. Marshall
Aug. 8, Nashua	Tammy Anne Mack	Donald D. Mack	Shirley M. Parker
Aug. 13, Nashua	Michelle Jane Chamberlain	Mark S. Chamberlain	Mary Lu Miles
Sept. 1, Nashua	Paul Andrew Gould	Paul D. Gould	Patricia J. Fillion
Sept. 8, Nashua	Edward George Shattuck III	Edward George Shattuck, Jr.	Frances L. Coleman
Sept. 9, Manchester	David Christian Turcotte	Norman J. Turcotte	Patricia E. Flanders
Sept. 24, Nashua	Lori Ellen Pirozzi	Vincent D. Pirozzi, Jr.	Brenda L. Laro
Oct. 3, Nashua	Francis Todd Holland	Francis Graham Holland	Sandra L. Colman
Oct. 7, Nashua	Sean Keahi Kerr	Dennis E. Kerr	Diane C. Ball
Oct. 14, Nashua	Cynthia Rose Mamoone	Joseph A. Mamoone, Jr.	Beverly J. Sutton
Oct. 18, Nashua	Olivia Gail Holt	Oliver Dixon Holt	Susan Goodhue
Oct. 22, Nashua	Kathleen Glenna Toussaint	Dana G. Toussaint	Patricia A. Corley
Oct. 23, Nashua	Danielle Webster	Harold L. Webster	Judith L. Grassett
Oct. 26, Nashua	Joseph Gerard Lessard	Patrick A. Lessard	Dorothy J. Levesque
Oct. 26, Nashua	Joshua Joseph Cote	Maurice R. Cote	Cheryl I. Cassarino
Oct. 26, Woburn, Ma.	Daniel Francis Cleary II	Daniel F. Cleary	Phyllis DiCecca
Oct. 27, Nashua	Kent Raymond Pinkerton, Jr.	Kent R. Pinkerton	Dian F. Wyman
Oct. 31, Winchester, Ma.	Nancy Jean Dalrymple	Wayne E. Dalrymple	Barbara A. Currier
Nov. 8, Nashua	Karen Ann Quinn	Thomas M. Quinn, Sr.	Mary E. Beaton
Nov. 14, Manchester	Sarah Jane Heineke	Richard R. Heineke	Jane E. Watts
Nov. 20, Nashua	Kevin Michael Pinard	Richard Ronald Pinard	Gilberte Jeanne Cournoyer
Nov. 23, Manchester	Daniel Paul Novello	Frederick C. Novello	Charlotte J. Sick
Dec. 2, Nashua	Benjamin Frank Jalbert	Frank Edward Jalbert	Jeanne Eleanor Levesque
Dec. 5, Nashua	Stephen Michael Sutphin	Sheldon Delane Sutphin	Diane Marie Radzikowski
Dec. 7, Nashua	Kevin Mark O'Donald	Jay Robert O'Donald	Janice Lillian Walsh
Dec. 8, Nashua	Catherine Lee Krapf	Russell M. Krapf	Donna Maxine Kirk

Deaths Registered in the Town of Amherst, N. H.

For the Year Ending December 31, 1975

Date and Place	*Name of Deceased*	*Age*	*Name of Father*	*Name of Mother*
Jan. 2, Amherst	George Duncan Richards	93	James F. Richards	Ella Foster
Mar. 3, Nashua	Eric W. Hare, Jr.	28	Eric W. Hare, Sr.	Katherine Jeffers
Mar. 6, Amherst	Ruth Linnell Ladd	56	Jesse Linnell	Harriet Wilder
Mar. 29, Manchester	Edward Conti	70	John P. Conti	Louise F. Comolli
Apr. 22, Nashua	Katherine Lois Grant	53	Earl Thompson	Bertha Stanwich
Apr. 28, Amherst	Elizabeth T. Fletcher	49	Unknown	Unkown
May 31, Milford	Louise Wing	76	Albert S. Brigham	Laura Brown
June 7, Amherst	Rutger Klaus Osterroth	38	Arndt Wilhelm	Marion C. Youngnickel
June 13, Nashua	Pauline I. Potter	59	Henry McCormack	Martha Cyle
July 18, Nashua	Arthur V. Dove	52	John Dove	Anna Ramus
July 20, Milford	Carrie L. Kittredge	96	William Hemenway	Mary O.
July 22, Nashua	Debra Stickney	17	Everett D. Stickney	Virgie Williams
Aug. 6, Nashua	James Bernarr Rock	64	Willard Rock	Emma Rice
Aug. 19, Nashua	Minot J. Ross	64	Joseph B. Ross	Ethel W. Brown
Aug. 21, Nashua	Warren Blake Boutelle	77	Fred Boutelle	Martha Ella Boutelle
Aug. 31, Concord	Ina M. Mercer	84	Will Domins	Pareppa Huntoon
Sept. 4, Nashua	Samuel Taylor	86	Samuel Taylor	Mary A. Forest
Sept. 7, Nashua	Diane Louise Holt	14	Calvin H. Holt	Marion L. Nichols
Sept. 18, Nashua	Lewis F. Sawyer	83	William R. Sawyer	Sarah Camp
Sept. 19, Milford	Flora M. Barker	84	John Harper	Mary
Sept. 20, Nashua	Fred W. Armstrong	75	John Armstrong	Mary Miller
Oct. 6, Amherst	William G. Hawkins	87	Frederick Hawkins	Amy Robinson
Oct. 25, Nashua	Daisy Everett	76	William Milne	.... Hadden
Dec. 5, Nashua	Clarence Poland	84	James B. Poland	Martha E. Russell
Dec. 27, Amherst	Richard C. Lipps	68	Hugo Lipps	Lillian

Brought From Away and Buried in Amherst, N. H.

Date and Place	*Name of Deceased*	*Age*	*Name of Cemetery*
Feb. 3, Hudson. Fla.	Louis F. Grundel	80	Meadowview
Feb. 4, Milford	Ruth M. Comolli	80	St. Patrick's
Mar. 3, Boston, Ma.	Leon J. Jacques	76	St. Patrick's
Mar. 31, Taunton, Ma.	John Prescott	67	Meadowview
Apr. 14, Milford	Orion L. Patten	80	Meadowview
May 21, Needham, Ma.	Cornelia A. Wry	84	Meadowview
July 4, Brentwood	Olia May Come	83	Meadowview
July 22, Exeter	Pearl Perry	80	Meadowview
Aug. 5, Davenport, Fla.	Florence Gordon Babcock	91	Meadowview
Sept. 8, Hollis	Leonard Stockwell	75	Meadowview
Oct. 10, York, Me.	Mary A. Caulfield	68	St. Patrick's
Oct. 30, Nashua	Walter White	74	Cricket Corner
Nov. 20, Wrightstown, Pa.	Lester H. Nowry	71	Meadowview
Dec. 11, Nashua	Nicola Riccitelli	64	St. Patrick's

I hereby certify that the foregoing returns are correct according to the best of my knowledge.

BERNICE G. BOOTHROYD, Town Clerk

ANNUAL REPORTS

of the

School District Officers

of

Amherst, N. H.

for the

Year Ending June 30, 1975

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AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT

School Officers — 1975-76

School Board	Term Expires
Herbert C. Stearns	1976
Elizabeth D. Puddington	1977
Ronald L. Pomerleau	1978

Roland L. Schoepf	Superintendent
Richard T. Connolly	Business Administrator
Mrs. Louise Ainsworth	Clerk-Treasurer
Creeley S. Buchanan	Moderator
Jan J. Tigchelaar, M.D.	School Physician
Mrs. Hope Caulfield	School Nurse
Mrs. Rosalie McGeoch	School Nurse
John Osborn	Attendance Officer
Orson H. Bragdon	Auditor
Marice R. Martel	Auditor

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1975-76

Begin	Close	
Sept. 3 (Wed.)	Dec. 19 (Fri.)	72 days
(Oct. 13, 17; Nov. 10, 11, 27, 28 – No School)		
Jan. 5 (Mon.)	Feb. 20 (Fri.)	35 days
March 1 (Mon.)	April 23 (Fri.)	39 days
(April 16 – No School)		
May 3 (Mon.)	June 18 (Fri.)	34 days
(May 31 – No School)		
		180 days*

Tentative
1976-77
(Subject to revision in the fall)

Begin	Close	
Sept. 8 (Wed.)	Dec. 23 (Thurs.)	72 days
(Oct. 22; Nov. 11, 12, 25, 26 – No School)		
Jan. 3 (Mon.)	Feb. 18 (Fri.)	35 days
Feb. 28 (Mon.)	April 22 (Fri.)	39 days
(April 8 – No School)		
May 2 (Mon.)	June 17 (Fri.)	34 days
(May 30 – No School)		
		180 days*

*This calendar is subject to changes authorized by your School Board, the State Department of Education, or when school is closed because of dangerous traveling conditions or emergencies. The minimum legal requirement is 180 days actually in session.

SCHOOL WARRANT

The State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the School district in the town of AMHERST, qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Wilkins School in said district on the 12th day of March 1976, at eight o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officer or agent of the district.

2. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

3. To choose agents, auditors and committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

4. To see if the district will authorize the School Board to make application for and receive in the name of the district such advances, grants and aids, or other funds for educational purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States Government or any other state or private agency.

5. (By Petition) To see if the School District as per R.S.A. 197-15 will vote to increase the membership of the School Board from three (3) to five (5) members, effective in 1977 at which time one (1) shall be elected for a term of one (1) year and one (1) for a term of three (3) years and thereafter upon expiration of their term of office, all members shall be elected for three (3) years.

6. To see if the district will vote to adopt RSA 60:31-39 Absentee Voting at Municipal Annual Meetings.

7. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $6,455 to provide for drainage and resurfacing of the sidewalk, and rebuilding a portion of the driveway on the north side of the Wilkins School.

8. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000 to provide for an audit of the Middle School Building Fund, and a systems audit of the general account for the 1973-74 and 1974-75 school fiscal years.

9. To see what sum of money the district will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for school district officials and agents, and for payment of the statutory obligations of the district.

10. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Amherst this 12th day of February 1976.

HERBERT C. STEARNS
ELIZABETH D. PUDDINGTON
RONALD L. POMERLEAU
School Board

A true copy of Warrant – Attest:

HERBERT C. STEARNS
ELIZABETH D. PUDDINGTON
RONALD L. POMERLEAU
School Board

AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

	CATEGORY	Budgeted 1974-75	Actual 1974-75	Budgeted 1975-76	Proposed 1976-77
	100 Series Administration				
110	Salaries of District Officers	$ 1,860.00	$ 1,795.00	$ 1,860.00	$ 2,460.00
135	Contracted Services	300.00	300.00	300.00	325.00
190	Other Expenses for Administration	1,475.00	2,399.14	1,775.00	1,825.00
	100 Series Total	**3,635.00**	**4,494.14**	**3,935.00**	**4,610.00**
	200 Series Instruction				
210	Salaries for Instruction:				
	210.1 Teachers' Salaries	551,994.00	727,890.74	812,733.00	965,269.00
	210.2 New Staff	173,388.00		83,208.00	42,500.00
	210.3 Summer Curriculum	0.00	0.00	800.00	500.00
	210.4 Gesell Testing	0.00	600.00	725.00	1,450.00
	210.5 Insurance	22,445.00	25,065.87	27,065.00	43,455.00
	210.6 Teacher Scholarship	3,400.00	1,177.00	3,600.00	5,400.00
	Total 210	751,227.00	754,733.61	933,131.00	1,058,574.00
215	Textbooks	10,128.00	8,984.37	9,380.00	6,980.00
220	Library & Audio Visual	15,435.00	14,203.43	15,450.00	19,520.00
230	Teaching Supplies	32,000.00	33,375.48	35,416.00	39,500.00
235	Contracted Services	5,074.00	2,546.70	5,717.00	9,747.00
290	Other Expenses for Instruction	7,729.00	6,296.87	4,095.00	6,485.00
	200 Series Total	**821,593.00**	**820,640.46**	**1,003,189.00**	**1,140,806.00**

	Budgeted 1974-75	Actual 1974-75	Budgeted 1975-76	Proposed 1976-77
300 Series Attendance	**50.00**	**50.00**	**50.00**	**50.00**
400 Series Health Services	**12,450.00**	**12,313.58**	**13,062.00**	**13,766.00**
500 Series Transportation	**115,056.00**	**118,863.02**	**117,294.00**	**131,450.00**
600 Series Operation of Plant				
610 Salaries	54,500.00	54,033.49	61,760.00	64,139.00
630 Supplies	8,656.00	7,244.74	10,000.00	9,634.00
635 Contracted Services	4,326.00	1,523.44	1,600.00	3,825.00
640 Heat	33,000.00	53,624.23	47,550.00	48,879.00
645 Utilities	27,000.00	33,683.15	32,826.00	37,917.00
600 Series Total	**127,482.00**	**150,109.05**	**153,736.00**	**164,394.00**
700 Series Maintenance of Plant	**5,638.00**	**7,685.19**	**14,552.00**	**11,556.00**
800 Series Fixed Charges	**74,239.00**	**65,416.89**	**91,794.00**	**100,039.00**
900 Series Federal Lunch	**11,000.00**	**14,704.54**	**11,000.00**	**15,000.00**
1000 Series Student Body Activities	**3,850.00**	**3,975.00**	**4,050.00**	**4,050.00**
1100 Series Community Activities	**0.00**	**0.00**	**1,500.00**	**1,500.00**
1200 Series Capital Outlay				
1265 Sites	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1266 Buildings	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1267 Equipment	3,891.00	1,650.05	9,000.00	11,519.00
1200 Series Total	**3,891.00**	**1,650.05**	**9,000.00**	**11,519.00**

AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

	Budgeted 1974-75	Actual 1974-75	Budgeted 1975-76	Proposed 1976-77
1300 Series Debt Service				
1370 Principal	235,000.00	235,000.00	235,000.00	235,000.00
1371 Interest	165,361.00	167,260.00	156,010.00	144,761.00
Service Charge	15.00	13.90	15.00	15.00
1300 Series Total	**400,376.00**	**402,273.90**	**391,025.00**	**379,776.00**
1400 Series Outgoing Transfer Accounts				
1477.1 Tuition — In State (Milford)	613,065.00	612,262.12	539,293.00	655,928.00
AREA Rental	72,197.00	65,132.36	44,946.00	56,476.00
Extra Seats (Milford)	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,799.00
Tuition — Handicapped (Milford)	0.00	1,531.50	2,006.00	1,900.00
Tuition — Trainable (Milford)	4,200.00	2,800.00	2,800.00	2,800.00
1477.2 Transportation — Handicapped	0.00	0.00	1,121.00	0.00
Transportation — Trainable	0.00	0.00	2,916.00	2,916.00
1477.3 Supervisory Union Share	41,388.00	41,388.00	45,756.57	51,758.83
1479.1 Tuition — Non-Public	14,866.00	11,187.75	17,294.00	18,355.00
1479.2 Transportation — Non-Public	0.00	0.00	12,921.00	17,505.00
1400 Series Total	**745,716.00**	**734,301.73**	**669,053.57**	**812,437.83**
1800 Series Contingency	**5,000.00**	**0.00**	**5,000.00**	**5,000.00**
TOTAL BUDGET	**$2,329,976.00**	**$2,336,477.55**	**$2,488,240.57**	**$2,795,953.83**

AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

	Budgeted 1974-75	Actual 1974-75	Budgeted 1975-76	As Approved By Tax Commission 1975-76	Proposed 1976-77
REVENUE					
Unencumbered Balance	$ 17,000.00	$138,698.15	$ 50,000.00	$ 90,504.25	$ 10,000.00
Foundation Aid	0.00	0.00	0.00	25,514.35	0.00
State Building Aid	70,500.00	80,149.49	70,500.00	71,432.81	71,432.81
State Sweepstakes Aid	14,925.00	21,657.95	28,545.00	44,086.64	38,000.00
PL - 874	0.00	16,778.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Federal Lunch	11,000.00	14,704.54	11,000.00	11,000.00	15,000.00
Trust Funds	900.00	1,250.87	900.00	900.00	900.00
Foster Children	200.00	1,500.00	0.00	900.00	900.00
Rent and Custodian	0.00	2,646.68	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,500.00
Investment Revenue	145,000.00	161,185.29	45,000.00	44,000.00	0.00
Title III	0.00	2,349.48	0.00	0.00	0.00
State Gas	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,000.00
Other	2,500.00	431.25	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL REVENUE	$ 262,025.00	$441,401.70	$ 207,945.00	$ 290,338.55	$ 142,732.81
TOTAL ASSESSMENT	$2,067,951.00		$2,280,295.57	$2,197,902.02	$2,653,221.02

REPORT OF THE AMHERST SCHOOL BOARD
1975-1976

From its organizational meeting to this period of deliberation with the Ways and Means Committee and budget preparation, the Amherst School Board has completed one of its most significant, and varied, confrontations of issues and answers in recent years.

Regular meetings were scheduled twice a month and special meetings ran the gamut from the Town Government Committee to the Parent-Teacher Association. In between were relationships with the Selectmen, the Recreation Commission, library staff, Personnel Committee, Milford Board, Joint AREA Board, Union No. 41 and the State Department of Education.

Planning through the summer centered around Staff Development, Adult Education, Project SURVIVE, School Volunteer Program and the adoption of the Management by Objective method of directing the schools, as a planning tool as well as a means of evaluation and accountability. Comprehensive reporting on this and other projects not possible in this summary may be had through a review of records, news releases and consultation with district and union staff. As always, the School Board meetings are open to the public who are urged to attend.

The Middle School opened with a full complement of grades, an exciting curriculum and an enthusiastic staff. The Clark-Wilkins schools, no less motivated, had interim leadership provided by Joel Austin until the arrival of our new principal, Herbert Oliver, who came from Gorham, N. H.

The growth factor, a continuing concern, was obvious by the need to add another bus. The energy crisis, much in evidence, resulted in conservation measures in all schools, and a contract to assure efficient operation of the plant at the Middle School. The administration of buildings and grounds were capably handled to include expanded public use of the library, shop, and recreational facilities. Credit

can be given for the cooperation of the town and church groups which benefitted. Incidentally, deeds were passed to provide a right-of-way for future use from the Boston Post Road to the Middle School property.

Notable progress was made in the preparation of the policy manual which will have a new format, incorporate a rewritten and relevant philosophy, and impact on most current legal and moral issues, such as the right to know, protection of privacy, non-discrimination, suspension policy, and a public relations stance. A media committee, including staff and community representatives, has been appointed to review book selections and handle complaints.

In the area of curriculum, in addition to development of Staff Development and promotion of School Volunteers programs, we have initiated a Resource Room at the Wilkins School under Title I, similar in function to the one at the Middle School, which will be evaluated and continued if proven; in the elementary grades we have introduced Individual Criterion Reference Testing in an effort to improve evaluation of our progress; and put into effect the Math Continuum, a three year curriculum revision project, well prepared and presented by our staff.

Two of our teachers have participated in the advanced degree program at UNH for Early Childhood Development, involving two visiting interns; one of our teachers was on sabbatical leave, a program to promote advanced education and up-grade our teaching staff. One of our board members attended the National School Board Convention, and was distinguished in the state as an outstanding school board member. All school board members have attended local conferences and work sessions to keep current with school affairs. Presently our board has official capacity in Union 41 and other committee appointments.

The board has actively participated with the Milford Board to fulfill its obligations in the AREA plan. The mandate of the School District Meeting to pursue a cooperative has been met by joint action including formation of a fact

finding sub-committee. Recent unanimous action by the Milford School Board to oppose any consideration of a cooperative school district makes it imperative for Amherst voters to make an early decision on continuation of the AREA agreement. Other avenues have been explored including discussions with contiguous districts. All options, their benefits and penalties, will be discussed with the district before any vote is taken.

Many other items could be noted for purposes of record and commendation. We have tried to highlight a year of progress and recognize jobs well done. We elicit your review and comments. It has been our privilege to serve, and promote the educational goals of Amherst.

HERBERT C. STEARNS
ELIZABETH PUDDINGTON
RONALD POMERLEAU
Amherst School Board

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

(For the Fiscal Year July 1, 1974 to June 30, 1975)

LOUISE AINSWORTH, Treasurer

In account with the School District of Amherst.

Cash on Hand, July 1, 1974	$ 138,698 15
Board of Selectmen:	
Current Appropriation	1,993,015 79
Revenue from State Sources	103,307 44
Revenue from Federal Sources	37,349 87
Trust Funds	1,250 87
Building Fund	150,000 00
Other	13,003 57
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year	$2,436,625 69
Less School Board Orders Paid	2,339,681 90
Balance on Hand, June 30, 1975	$ 96,943 79

Building Account

Cash on Hand, July 1, 1974	$1,069,390 48
Received from Other Sources	70,084 34
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year	$1,139,474 82
Less School Board Orders Paid	1,095,624 72
Balance on Hand, June 30, 1975	$ 43,850 10

Adult Education Program

Cash on Hand, July 1, 1974	$ 0 00
Received from Other Sources	1,290 00
Less School Board Orders Paid	1,000 00
Balance on Hand, June 30, 1975	$ 290 00

Emotionally Disturbed Account

Cash on Hand, July 1, 1974	$	1,099 53
Less School Board Orders Paid		126 00
Balance on Hand, June 30, 1975	$	973 53

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Amherst of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1975, and find them correct in all respects.

ORSON H. BRAGDON
MAURICE R. MARTEL
Auditors
July 16, 1975 and August 24, 1975

NOTIFICATION OF ASSESSMENT
1975-76 School Year

Total Appropriations		$2,488,240 57
REVENUES AND CREDITS		
Unencumbered Balance	$	90,504 25
Sweepstakes		44,086 64
Foundation Aid		25,514 85
School Building Aid		71,432 81
Foster Children		900 00
School Lunch & Special Milk Program		11,000 00
Trust Fund Income		900 00
Rent		2,000 00
Investment Revenue		44,000 00
Total Revenues and Credits	$	290,338 55
District Assessment 1975		2,197,902 02
Total Appropriations		$2,488,240 57

Report of the Superintendent

As the people of the United States celebrate the Bicentennial, one is prompted to recall those historical moments which left an indelible mark on the course of events that followed. In the main, the emphasis has been on political and military activities of the Revolutionary Period, which is in keeping with the spirit of the celebration. However, while it is true that the nation owes a great debt to those patrons who espoused the cause of liberty, there were social movements which should not go unobserved, even though they occupied a small segment of public involvement at the time they surfaced and continued to grow. It is probably due to the fact that social movements develop through the years, and depend upon the contributions of many, that they cannot have the same immediate impact as other happenings which tend to occupy smaller, concise, easy to identify, compartments of time.

The education of young people has been a concern through the ages, and occupied the attention of our earliest settlers. In 1642, the Massachusetts colonial legislature enacted the first compulsory education law in America. The law provided that "the selectmen in every town shall have the power to take account of all parents and masters as to their children's education and employment . . . They (the selectmen) are to see that the children can read and understand the principles of religion and the capital laws of the country . . ."

The faith in education held by the colonists has grown firmer as the years have gone by. It has endured wars, depressions and other upheavals, and has always moved to greater heights. It has been buttressed by two beliefs: (1) that the welfare, progress and perpetuity of society are determined largely by the education of the people, and (2) that the individual can best realize his potentialities in happiness and accomplishment through education.

Compared with the initial thrusts of our forebears, education today can be compared with the largest industries, costing about 110 billion dollars in 1974-75 for elementary and secondary schooling. The one-room school house long ago gave way to more complex organizational forms and an increasing number of individuals are acquiring more than a secondary education. The idea that a college education is terminal has been dispelled; continuing education programs are available to all, regardless of degree status.

However, to state that education has reached a stage in development that places it beyond the pale of criticism is to deny the fact. In addition to increased spending at state and local levels, the federal government has funded massive programs during the past two decades. Panaceas in some cases have become pancakes — all of the effervescence and exuberance that was so manifest when certain programs were undertaken having disappeared or otherwise evaporated. Critics not only have consisted of the laity, but professionals as well, leaving the man on the street breathless and wondering to where it will eventually lead.

In consequence of the growing concern for the manner in which public monies are being spent, steps are being taken by school boards, administrators and governmental bodies to find ways and means of being able to relate the expenditures for education with its outcomes. Essentially, we will have to address ourselves to what we are attempting to teach, to whom and why; the instructional approaches being used and why; and, to what degree we are succeeding. Because educating the young is not an exact science, the process will take time and will require diligence on the part of teachers, administrators, school boards and the general public. Results will not always be immediate, nor will the outcomes in one school district necessarily point the way to another.

To the end of developing better procedures and reporting practices, your school board and school administrators have formulated objectives and goals for the individual school

as well as for the district. In turn this will lead to new budgetary procedures which will reflect specific program costs as opposed to the more traditional budget format which groups expenses by function rather than by program.

For those of us who will not be here two hundred years from now, it is very unlikely that the critics of education will have been put to rest. Whatever the concerns might be, it is predictable that there will be commentaries – pro and con – as long as there are people who care about the education of the generations to follow. As we no longer express much interest in the "Old Deluder Satan Act," passed by Massachusetts in 1647, we hope that these things that occupy our minds now will have been in some measure, if not completely, resolved. It would represent progress, no matter how slow.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Amherst Elementary School

As of January 5, 1976 the enrollment in the Elementary school is as follows:

Total	683	Grade 2	165
Readiness	36	Grade 3	170
Grade 1	161	Grade 4	151

This year we have had some changes in our staff. Our new staff members are:

Karen Marx	Grade One
Patricia Barry	Grade Two
David Quigley	Grade Three
Margaret McCormack	Grade Three
Pauline Robinson	Aide
Cynthia Lamson	Librarian

Professional Growth

With the new Staff Development Forms of Teacher Certification, there have been several teachers either taking courses or participating in workshops which are in their field or information they feel would benefit their students. Some of the workshops available at the school have been one on audio-visuals, an ERIC Workshop, and a metric workshop.

As a school this year we have decided to continue working on the Math Curriculum, the committee headed by Mrs. Leslie Sullivan. We will concentrate on record keeping so that we can have a better avenue of mathematic communication with you as parents and between your child's teacher and his or her next teacher. The staff is also looking at the Science Curriculum developing science resource area, within the schools. The Science Committee

which is chaired by Mrs. Sally Dyer is also developing areas to be taught at the respective grade levels.

A reading committee was formed in early January. It is their charge to develop a sequence of skills for students to follow as well as a way of recording information for better communication.

School Activities

In October, "Project Try," a group of drama students from the University of New Hampshire, put on an excellent puppet show and Bicentennial program for all the students. Charlie Brown and Snoopy came to visit us in November, through the M.A.S.H. Musical "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown." All the students truly enjoyed this excellent performance which included several Amherst students who are attending Milford Area Senior High. During December we put on our own Musical Program, "Christmas in the Toy Shop." Mrs. Marguerite Brockway and Mrs. Lucille Hart did an excellent job in organizing and directing this very successful production.

Christmas became a time of sharing at the Amherst Elementary Schools with Clark School collecting clothing, toys and games for the Salvation Army. At the Wilkins School one Unit had the students make crafts to be sold at our concert with the proceeds being given to the students at Laconia State School. Another classroom collected canned goods which were given to a family which hopefully made their Christmas more joyful.

As we begin our Bicentennial year we are hoping to have our fourth grade students do something special, since New Hampshire History is a requirement as part of the Social Studies Curriculum.

Program Expansion

This year we expanded our special needs program by providing a resource room for students who were finding

school and its requirements more and more difficult. The program is keying in on reading and math skills so the student will be meeting success and have a more positive attitude toward school and learning.

Conclusion

I would like to express my appreciation and gratitude to the Amherst Parent Volunteer Program, other parents, teachers, Custodians, Kitchen Staff, Superintendent, Business Manager, School Board and other organizations within this community who have made my first few months as principal the success that it has been. It is hoped that as the years progress we can all work together to have our school continue to be one of the better educational systems in the state.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Amherst Middle School

The second year of operation found the Middle School with its full complement of grades 5 through 8. The eighth grade is being housed in Amherst for the first time since the early fifties.

The addition of a new grade also resulted in a new group of teachers in Amherst.

Mrs. Bonnie Flahive	8th grade English
Mr. Timothy Kelley	8th grade Math
Mr. Jon Manley	8th grade Science
Mrs. Cynthia Keaney	7th grade English
Mr. Arthur Jonson	7th grade Math
Miss Donna Nadeau	7th & 8th grade French & Spanish
Mrs. Pamela Miley	6th grade
Miss Jeryl Klumpp	6th grade
Mr. John Harrington	Instrumental Music
Mrs. Patsy Roberts	5th grade
Mrs. Linda Beauvais	8th grade Teacher Aide

The curriculum for grade 8 began with an easy transition from grade 7, as new and older staff members were adjusted evenly over both grades.

The first school wide project for the staff was multi-grade subject meetings in each academic area, to investigate future programs. The major review of where we are now and where we sought to be in each grade and subject area became the foundation for a proper scope and sequence of skills for each child.

The selection of Student Council homeroom representatives and the election of major officers were early high points for our students. Spirited campaigns, especially for president, were enjoyed by both students and faculty.

Open house again proved most successful, as we had a tremendous turnout of parents and students.

The Parent-Teacher Conference Day was somewhat frustrating, as our marking period ended after Conference Day. This procedure will be corrected, hopefully, and report cards will go home shortly before or on Conference Day. The organization of the day for grades 7 & 8 will be reviewed again, as subject teachers are more sought for conferences by parents than homeroom teachers. The latter procedure will continue and works very well in grades 5 & 6.

Stanford Achievement Tests, given in late September to our sixth and eighth graders left our staff with a pleasant feeling, as our local norms were compared with national norms, in both grades, students scored extremely high as a grade.

Christmas found another successful series of plays by the students in the Drama Club. The band proved to be outstanding, as they and the audience tapped their toes to the selections. The Glee Club performed with their usual excellence, as in previous years.

January found parents of eighth graders attending a presentation and discussion of a new Educational Network series titled "Self-Incorporated." The thrust of the program is a frank approach to the problems of today's youth in growing through adolescence to young adulthood.

The area of frustration and dissatisfaction is in the special subject areas. Art, Music, Industrial Arts, and Home Economics are reduced to a shallow experience and totally inadequate program for youngsters of this age group. The programs for the 1976-77 school year, unless staff is added, will result in serious reduction of students in all grades, placing Amherst in a below standard category for these areas based on minimum requirements for the state of New Hampshire.

The cooperation of community groups and parents is again most appreciated. The Summer Library program, coordinated by the Amherst Library, Mrs. Betty Watson and the two school libraries, was successful. It will be ex-

panded for the summer of 1976, with the addition of an evening for adults.

Middle School programs and staff are continually requested to present workshops and explain programs, by other School Districts and the State Department.

On behalf of the students, I wish to thank the teaching staff for their continued effort to meet the needs of our students; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Carpe, and the entire P.T.A. for their continued support; the Amherst School Board for their striving for excellence in our educational program; the town citizens, for allowing us to attend a school such as the Amherst Middle School.

ROLAND L. SCHOEPF, Superintendent of Schools
HERBERT F. OLIVER, Principal, Elementary Schools
PAUL D. COLLINS, Principal, Middle School

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE AMHERST SCHOOL BOARD

For the Fiscal Year July 1, 1974 to June 30, 1975

TOTAL RECEIPTS		$3,561,708 51
TOTAL PAYMENTS		3,420,914 62
General Fund		$ 96,943 79
Capital Outlay Fund		$ 43,850 10

RECEIPTS IN DETAIL

Current Appropriations		$1,993,015 79
Revenue from Local Sources		
Earnings from Permanent Funds and Endowments	$ 1,250 87	
Earnings from Temporary Deposits and Investments	481 25	
Rent	2,646 68	
Other Revenue from Local Sources	161,185 29	
		165,564 09
Revenue from State Sources		
School Building Aid	$80,149 49	
Sweepstakes	21,657 95	
Foster Children Aid	1,500 00	
		103,307 44
Revenue from Federal Sources		
NDEA Title III	$ 2,349 48	
School Lunch & Special Milk	14,704 54	
PL 874	16,778 00	
		33,832 02
Bonds and Notes		
Premiums and Interest		57,900 54
		$2,353,619 88
Cash on Hand at Beginning of Year, July 1, 1974		
General Fund		$ 138,698 15
Capital Outlay Fund		1,069,390 48
		$3,561,708 51

PAYMENTS IN DETAIL

July 1, 1974 - June 30, 1975

	100 Series Administration		
110	Salaries of Officers	$1,795 00	
135	Contracted Services	300 00	
190	Other Expenses	2,399 14	
		————$	4,494 14
	200 Series Instruction		
210	Salaries	$757,193 61	
215	Textbooks	8,984 37	
220	School Libraries & A/V	14,203 43	
230	Teaching Supplies	33,875 48	
235	Contracted Services	2,546 70	
290	Other Expenses	3,836 87	
		————	820,640 46
	300 Series Attendance Services		50 00
	400 Series Health Services		
410	Salaries	$11,000 00	
490	Other	1,313 58	
		————	12,313 58
	500 Series Pupil Transportation		118,863 02
	600 Series Operation of Plant		
610	Salaries	$54,033 49	
630	Supplies, except Utilities	7,244 74	
635	Contracted Services	1,523 44	
640	Heat for Buildings	53,624 23	
645	Utilities, except Heat	33,683 15	
		————	150,109 05
	700 Series Maintenance of Plant		
725	Replacement of Equipment	$ 505 97	
726	Repairs to Equipment	1,456 11	
735	Contracted Services	4,551 53	
766	Repairs to Buildings	1,171 68	
		————	7,685 29

800 Series Fixed Charges			
850.1 Employees' Retirement System	928 57		
850.2 Teachers' Retirement System	7,977 70		
850.3 F.I.C.A.	46,381 62		
855 Insurance	10,129 00		
		65,416	89
900 Series School Lunch & Special Milk		14,704	54
1000 Series Student Body Activities		3,975	00
1200 Series Capital Outlay			
1266 Buildings	$619,816 41		
1267 Equipment	477,458 36		
		1,097,274	77
1300 Series Debt Service			
1370 Principal of Debt	$235,000 00		
1371 Interest on Debt	167,260 00		
1390 Other Debt Service	13 90		
		402,273	90
1400 Series Outgoing Transfer Accounts			
1477.1 Tuition	$681,725 98		
1477.3 Supervisory Union Share	41,388 00		
		723,113	98
		$3,420,914	62

BALANCE SHEET — JUNE 30, 1975

ASSETS

Cash on Hand June 30, 1975	
General Fund	$ 96,943 79
Building Fund	43,850 10
Emotionally Disturbed	973 53
Adult Education	290 00
Total Assets	$142,057 42
Net Debt (Excess of Liabilities over Assets)	0 00
Grand Total	$142,057 42

LIABILITIES

Amounts Reserved for Special Purposes	
Building Fund	$ 43,850 10
Emotionally Disturbed	973 53
Adult Education	290 00
Accounts Owed by District	
Accounts Payable	6,439 54
Total Liabilities	$ 51,553 17
Surplus (Excess of Assets over Liabilities)	90,504 25
Grand Total	$142,057 42

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Section 24, Chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes Annotated, and upon forms prescribed by the Department of Revenue Administration.

ROLAND L. SCHOEPF
Superintendent of Schools
HERBERT C. STEARNS
ELIZABETH D. PUDDINGTON
RONALD POMERLEAU
School Board
August 28, 1975

AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL BONDS

Bonds issued in $5,000 denominations except $2,000 due September 15, 1966 issued in $1,000 denominations.
Coupons payable March 15 and September 15.
Principal Maturing: 1966-1980.
Rate: 3.30%.

Coupon Amount	$16.50-$1,000	$82.50-$5,000	
Date	Interest	Principal	Maturing
3-15-66	$9,025.50	$547,000	—
9-15-66	9,025.50	547,000	$42,000
3-15-67	8,332.50	505,000	—
9-15-67	8,332.50	505,000	40,000
3-15-68	7,672.50	465,000	—
9-15-68	7,672.50	465,000	40,000
3-15-69	7,012.50	425,000	—
9-15-69	7,012.50	425,000	40,000
3-15-70	6,352.50	385,000	—
9-15-70	6,352.50	385,000	35,000
3-15-71	5,775.00	350,000	—
9-15-71	5,775.00	350,000	35,000
3-15-72	5,197.50	315,000	—
9-15-72	5,197.50	315,000	35,000
3-15-73	4,620.00	280,000	—
9-15-73	4,620.00	280,000	35,000
3-15-74	4,042.50	245,000	—
9-15-74	4,042.50	245,000	35,000
3-15-75	3,465.00	210,000	—
9-15-75	3,465.00	210,000	35,000
3-15-76	2,887.50	175,000	—
9-15-76	2,887.50	175,000	35,000
3-15-77	2,310.00	140,000	—
9-15-77	2,310.00	140,000	35,000
3-15-78	1,732.50	105,000	—
9-15-78	1,732.50	105,000	35,000
3-15-79	1,155.00	70,000	—
9-15-79	1,155.00	70,000	35,000
3-15-80	577.50	35,000	—
9-15-80	577.50	35,000	35,000

AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL BONDS

Bonds issued on August 1, 1968 in $5,000 denominations.
Coupons payable February 1 and August 1.
Principal Maturing: 1969-1983.
Rate: 4.20%.
Coupon Amount: $105.00-$5,000.00

Date	Interest	Principal	Maturing
2-1-69	$3,570.00	$170,000	—
8-1-69	3,570.00	170,000	$15,000
2-1-70	3,255.00	155,000	—
8-1-70	3,255.00	155,000	15,000
2-1-71	2,940.00	140,000	—
8-1-71	2,940.00	140,000	15,000
2-1-72	2,625.00	125,000	—
8-1-72	2,625.00	125,000	15,000
2-1-73	2,310.00	110,000	—
8-1-73	2,310.00	110,000	10,000
2-1-74	2,100.00	100,000	—
8-1-74	2,100.00	100,000	10,000
2-1-75	1,890.00	90,000	—
8-1-75	1,890.00	90,000	10,000
2-1-76	1,680.00	80,000	—
8-1-76	1,680.00	80,000	10,000
2-1-77	1,470.00	70,000	—
8-1-77	1,470.00	70,000	10,000
2-1-78	1,260.00	60,000	—
8-1-78	1,260.00	60,000	10,000
2-1-79	1,050.00	50,000	—
8-1-79	1,050.00	50,000	10,000
2-1-80	840.00	40,000	—
8-1-80	840.00	40,000	10,000
2-1-81	630.00	30,000	—
8-1-81	630.00	30,000	10,000
2-1-82	420.00	20,000	—
8-1-82	420.00	20,000	10,000
2-1-83	210.00	10,000	—
8-1-83	210.00	10,000	10,000

AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL BONDS

Bonds issued in $5,000 denominations.
Coupons payable March 15 and September 15.
Principal Maturing: 1970-1984.
Rate: 6.5%.

Date	Interest	Principal	Maturing
3-15-70	$12,350.00	$380,000	—
9-15-70	12,350.00	380,000	$30,000
3-15-71	11,375.00	350,000	—
9-15-71	11,375.00	350,000	25,000
3-15-72	10,562.50	325,000	—
9-15-72	10,562.50	325,000	25,000
3-15-73	9,750.00	300,000	—
9-15-73	9,750.00	300,000	25,000
3-15-74	8,937.50	275,000	—
9-15-74	8,937.50	275,000	25,000
3-15-75	8,125.00	250,000	—
9-15-75	8,125.00	250,000	25,000
3-15-76	7,312.50	225,000	—
9-15-76	7,312.50	225,000	25,000
3-15-77	6,500.00	200,000	—
9-15-77	6,500.00	200,000	25,000
3-15-78	5,687.50	175,000	—
9-15-78	5,687.50	175,000	25,000
3-15-79	4,875.00	150,000	—
9-15-79	4,875.00	150,000	25,000
3-15-80	4,062.50	125,000	—
9-15-80	4,062.50	125,000	25,000
3-15-81	3,250.00	100,000	—
9-15-81	3,250.00	100,000	25,000
3-15-82	2,437.50	75,000	—
9-15-82	2,437.50	75,000	25,000
3-15-83	1,625.00	50,000	—
9-15-83	1,625.00	50,000	25,000
3-15-84	812.50	25,000	—
9-15-84	812.50	25,000	25,000

AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL BONDS

Bonds issued in $5,000 denominations
Coupons payable February 1 and August 1
Principal Maturing 1974-93
Rate 4.80%

Date	Interest	Principal	Maturing
8-1-73	$48,000	$2,000,000	
2-1-74	48,000	2,000,000	$100,000
8-1-74	45,600	1,900,000	
2-1-75	45,600	1,900,000	100,000
8-1-75	43,200	1,800,000	
2-1-76	43,200	1,800,000	100,000
8-1-76	40,800	1,700,000	
2-1-77	40,800	1,700,000	100,000
8-1-77	38,400	1,600,000	
2-1-78	38,400	1,600,000	100,000
8-1-78	36,000	1,500,000	
2-1-79	36,000	1,500,000	100,000
8-1-79	33,600	1,400,000	
2-1-80	33,600	1,400,000	100,000
8-1-80	31,200	1,300,000	
2-1-81	31,200	1,300,000	100,000
8-1-81	28,800	1,200,000	
2-1-82	28,800	1,200,000	100,000
8-1-82	26,400	1,100,000	
2-1-83	26,400	1,100,000	100,000
8-1-83	24,000	1,000,000	
2-1-84	24,000	1,000,000	100,000
8-1-84	21,600	900,000	
2-1-85	21,600	900,000	100,000
8-1-85	19,200	800,000	
2-1-86	19,200	800,000	100,000
8-1-86	16,800	700,000	
2-1-87	16,800	700,000	100,000
8-1-87	14,400	600,000	
2-1-88	14,400	600,000	100,000
8-1-88	12,000	500,000	
2-1-89	12,000	500,000	100,000
8-1-89	9,600	400,000	
2-1-90	9,600	400,000	100,000
8-1-90	7,200	300,000	
2-1-91	7,200	300,000	100,000
8-1-91	4,800	200,000	
2-1-92	4,800	200,000	100,000
8-1-92	2,400	100,000	
2-1-93	2,400	100,000	100,000

AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL BONDS

Bonds issued on March 15, 1974 in $5,000 denominations.
Coupons payable September 15 and March 15.
Principal Maturing: 1974-1989.
Rate: 5.00%.

Date	Interest	Principal	Maturing
9-15-74	$23,750	$950,000	—
3-15-75	23,750	950,000	$65,000
9-15-75	22,125	885,000	—
3-15-76	22,125	885,000	65,000
9-15-76	20,500	820,000	—
3-15-77	20,500	820,000	65,000
9-15-77	18,875	755,000	—
3-15-78	18,875	755,000	65,000
9-15-78	17,250	690,000	—
3-15-79	17,250	690,000	65,000
9-15-79	15,625	625,000	—
3-15-80	15,625	625,000	65,000
9-15-80	14,000	560,000	—
3-15-81	14,000	560,000	65,000
9-15-81	12,375	495,000	—
3-15-82	12,375	495,000	65,000
9-15-82	10,750	430,000	—
3-15-83	10,750	430,000	65,000
9-15-83	9,125	365,000	—
3-15-84	9,125	365,000	65,000
9-15-84	7,500	300,000	—
3-15-85	7,500	300,000	60,000
9-15-85	6,000	240,000	—
3-15-86	6,000	240,000	60,000
9-15-86	4,500	180,000	—
3-15-87	4,500	180,000	60,000
9-15-87	3,000	120,000	—
3-15-88	3,000	120,000	60,000
9-15-88	1,500	60,000	—
3-15-89	1,500	60,000	60,000

AMHERST SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

Financial Statement
July 1, 1974 to June 30, 1975

Beginning Balance – July 1, 1974		$ 5,453 96
Receipts		
Lunch Sales – Children	$50,285 72	
Lunch Sales – Adults	2,776 80	
Reimbursement	14,704 54	
Miscellaneous Cash	781 62	
Total Receipts		68,548 68
Total Available		$74,002 64
Expenditures		
Food	$41,948 64	
Labor	23,263 07	
Equipment	718 65	
All Other Expenditures	7,925 63	
Total Expenditures		$73,855 99
Balance, June 30, 1975		$ 146 65

Other Program Resources:
USDA Commodities Received
(Wholesale Value) $6,734.00

Balance Sheet
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1975

Assets	
Cash in Bank	$ 146 65
Reimbursement Due Program	3,691 52
Food Inventory – June 30	1,132 00
Supplies Inventory – June 30	250 00
Total Assets	$ 5,220 17
Liabilities	$ 0 00
Working Capital	5,220 17
Total Liabilities and Working Capital	$ 5,220 17

SUPERVISORY UNION NO. 41

Administrative Salaries — 1974-75

A. Superintendent

State Share		$ 2,500 00
Local Share		
Amherst	$10,818 36	
Brookline	2,077 60	
Hollis	8,304 04	
	————	21,200 00
		————
		$23,700 00

B. Business Administrator

State Share		$ 2,300 00
Local Share		
Amherst	$6,289 39	
Brookline	1,207 84	
Hollis	4,827 66	
	————	12,324 89
		————
		$14,624 89

TITLE I — 1974-75

Supervisory Unions No. 41 and No. 40

Allocation:		
Amherst		$10,099 00
Brookline		3,474 00
Hollis		10,184 00
Milford		18,317 00
Mont Vernon		554 00
Total		$42,628 00
Expended 1974-75	$33,088 60	
Committed	3,086 19	
	36,174 79	
Balance		*$ 6,453 21

* An estimated carryover in the amount of $2,556 is to be used in 1975-76 primarily due to late notification of additional funding.

INSURANCE COVERAGE

Blanket Contents & Buildings
$4,608,788 — 90% co-insurance

Includes:	
Boiler & Machinery	$100,000
Corporal Punishment	$1,000,000 Aggregate
Personal Injury	$1,000,000 Aggregate
Teachers' Liability	$1,000,000
Automobile Liability (non-owned)	$500,000/1,000,000
Van Liability	$100,000/300,000
Workmen's Compensation	$100,000
Treasurer's Bond	$25,000
Lunch Director's Bond	$10,000
School Board Liability	$1,000,000
Nurse Liability	$100,000/300,000

MILFORD AREA SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
1975 Amherst Graduates

Bastable, Wayne
Beach, Colin
Biddle, Sarah*
Bills, Andrew
Birchead, Leslie
Blakely, Karen*
Blakeman, Michael
Boggis, Debra
Boissonault, David
Broadley, Joyce*
Brooks, Gordon
Browning, Geoffrey
Burns, Robert
Byrnes, Alfred
Carkin, Barbara
Carson, Susan
Chandley, Beverly
Chaput, Brenda*
Charron, Arthur
Chencani, Craig
Cooperider, Carrie*
Covert, Ronda*
Curtis, Carol
Davis, Elizabeth
Desmarais, Gerald
Dibble, Cheryl*
Doherty, Patrick
Driscoll, Nancy
Eggleston, Elizabeth*
Elkin, Curtis
Fissette, Ruth
Foulkes, Carol
Gaffney, Michael
Gardner, Bonnie
Gaudette, Karen
George, Lisa
Gilmore, Margaret*
Glynn, Dennis
Gorman, Daniel
Grimm, Curt
Haymes, Jeffrey
Head, Charles
Hopkins, Joan
Iles, Phillip
Jones, Kenneth*
Keefe, John
Kennedy, Lydia
Knight, Susan
LaBrum, Christine
Lamot, Reid
Largy, Ralph
Larrabee, Linda
Lebaron, Karen
Ledoux, Daniel
Lehr, Thomas
Lion, Craig
Litchfield, Joyce
Lyle, Margaret
Maas, William
Magoon, Douglas
Mahaffey, Scott
Mantel, Steven
Mayhew, Susan
McKeen, Andrea
McKellar, Bruce
Mearsheimer, Carol
Menold, John
Miller, Earl
Morrissette, Bonnie
Murphy, Donna
Nicholson, Gerald
Norton, Beverly
Penney, Pamela*
Picard, David
Pinard, Sharon*
Pituck, Gail*

Proctor, Vicki
Pullar, Thomas
Rose, Elaine
Schmitz, Karl*
Seeling, Heidi
Smith, Lianne
Souza, Helena Beatriz
Staples, Matthew
Stearns, Regina
Steeves, Kathleen*
Stephens, Heather
Stickney, Debra
Sugar, Laurene
Symonds, Cheryle
Tegar, Jonathan
Terkow, Peter
Thomas, Mark*
Trudo, Scott
Vital, Dennis
Vornberger, Virginia
Warren, Gregg
Webb, Kenneth
Wenzel, Thomas
Winkler, Susan
Young, Michael
Zarzar, Jesus

*National Honor Society

Sheila Forsyth — 1974 graduate (name omitted in error)

GENERAL STATISTICS FOR SCHOOL YEAR 1974-75

Number of pupils registered during year 1,193

Boys 628 Girls 565

Enrollment by Grades:

I	200	V	146
II	174	VI	176
III	148	VII	187
IV	162		

Average Membership in Grades 1-7 1,145.4

Percent of Attendance Grades 1-7 94.7%

Number of Sessions in all Schools 360

Teaching Positions:

Elementary 61 Part-time 4

Amherst Tuition Pupils attending Milford AREA Schools 1974-75:

Grade 8	169	Grade 11	122
Grade 9	149	Grade 12	119
Grade 10	146		

Trainable Class – Elementary 2

Special Class – Educable 2

AMHERST SCHOOL CENSUS REPORT – 1975-76

	Ages as of 9-1-75	Total	Boys	Girls	Public School within District	Public School outside District	Paroch. School outside District	Private School within District	Private School outside District	14 or 16 completed Elem. but not High	Completed High School
Less than	1	58	38	20							
	1	83	45	38							
	2	99	52	47							
	3	102	57	45							
	4	134	76	58				7	2		
	5	158	74	84				114	9		
	6	158	81	77	155		1		2		
	7	158	70	88	157				1		
	8	192	106	86	191		1				
	9	150	83	67	150						
	10	170	83	87	170						
	11	169	96	73	165				4		
	12	182	97	85	177				5		
	13	187	83	104	178		2		7		
	14	175	87	88		162	6		7		
	15	164	84	80		146	6		12		
	16	161	88	73		146	7		8		
	17	141	80	61		96	3		33	1	8
	18	100	56	44		5			64	4	27
Total		2741	1436	1305	1343	555	26	121	154	5	35

TEACHER ROSTER

Amherst Elementary Schools

Name	*Exp.*	*Assignment*	*College*	*Degree*
Oliver, Herbert	10	Principal	Univ. of New Hampshire	M.Ed.
Austin, Joel	3	Guidance	Antioch College	M.Ed.
Barlick, Michael	3	Fourth	Keene State College	B.E.
Barry, Patricia	2	Second	Westfield State College	B.S.
Bean, Sandra	12	Second	Keene State College	B.E.
Brockway, Marguerite	7	Music	American University	M.A.
Brown, Pamela	5	Third	Keene State College	B.E.
Chicoine, Carolyn	9	Fourth	Univ. of Vermont	B.S.
Collins, Patricia	8	Second	State College at Boston	B.S.Ed.
Cypher, Elizabeth	0	Teacher Intern p.t.	Univ. of Oregon	B.S.
Deslisle, Laurette	6	Third	Rivier College	B.A.
DeVoid, Kenneth	7	Learning Dis.	Keene State College	M.Ed.
Dionne, Denise	12	First	Notre Dame College	B.A.
Dyer, Sarah	9	Second	Univ. of New Hampshire	M.Ed.
Gay, Lee	1	Third	Salem State College	B.S.
Hamilton, Joy	4	First	Univ. of New Hampshire	M.Ed.
Head, Nancy	9	Learning Dis.	Keene State College	M.Ed.
Lambarth, Addie Ann	5	Fourth	Plattsburgh State College	M.S.
Lamson, Cynthia	4	Librarian	Simmons College	M.S.
Lathrop, Cynthia	12	Fourth	Skidmore College	B.S.
Lewandowski, Donna	7	First	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.S.
Leyh, Sandra	4	Physical Ed.	Temple University	B.S.Ed.
Lovell, Eleanor	2	Readiness	Simmons College	B.S.
Marx, Karen	4	First	Univ. of Minnesota	B.S.
McCormack, Margaret	11	Third	Keene State College	B.E.
McEnnis, Shirley	7	First	Univ. of New Hampshire	M.Ed.
McKeown, Teresita	9	Second	Philippine Normal	B.S.
Mason, Julie	3	Fourth	Univ. of Connecticut	M.A.
Parrish, Cassandra	55	First p.t.	Rivier College	B.A.
Piotrowski, Suzanne	4	First	Rivier College	B.A.
Poorbaugh, Susan	2	Teacher Intern p.t.	Catawba College	B.A.
Quigley, David	0	Third	Keene State College	B.E.
Scagnelli, Janet	3	Third	Rivier College	B.A.
Shervanian, Ann	16	Speech Therapist	Boston University	B.S.
Silverman, Audrey	10	Second p.t.	Keene State College	B.E.
Sullivan, Leslie	2	Third	Salem State College	B.S.Ed.
Tendler, Roberta	6	Second	Wheelock College	B.S.
Trudo, Christina	9	Readiness	Univ. of New Hampshire	M.Ed.
Tyrrell, JoAn	8	Art	Texas Western University	B.A.
Wheeler, Emma	19	Fourth	Rivier College	M.E.

Guyott, Ellen	Aide - Unit 3	McGeoch, Rosalie	Nurse
Martin, Katherine	Aide - Unit 1	Hart, Lucille	Secretary
Powers, Judith	Aide - Unit 6	Palumbo, Nelson	Custodial Foreman
Robinson, Pauline	Aide - Unit 4	Myhr, Olaf	Custodian
Sickler, Evelyn	Aide - Unit 5	Palmitter, John	Custodian
Young, Josephine	Aide - Unit 2	Curtis, Paul	Custodian

Bowler, Marcia	School Lunch	Pal, Carol	School Lunch
Maas, Dorothy	School Lunch	Pezzullo, Alice	School Lunch
Gorton, Estelle	School Lunch	Greta, Sliney	School Lunch

TEACHER ROSTER

Amherst Middle School

Name	*Exp.*	*Assignment*	*College*	*Degree*
Collins, Paul	17	Principal	State College at Boston	M.E.
Scollin, George	6	Guidance	Salem State College	Ed.M.
Alden, Kathleen	1	Physical Ed.	Univ. of Maine	B.S.Ed.
Barry, Marilyn	3	Art	Syracuse University	B.F.A.
Burrall, Leigh	1	Social Studies	Fitchburg State College	B.S.
Capistran, Stephen	5	Science	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.A.
Caron, Lucie	1	French/Spanish	Rivier College	B.A.
Cortellino, Joanne	6	Fifth	Rivier College	B.A.
Crothers, Carol	2	Sixth	Ohio Wesleyan University	B.A.
DeCamp, Gene	1	Social Studies	Fitchburg State	B.S.
Ernst, Robert	1	Science	Boston State College	B.S.
Flahive, Bronwan	4	English	Antioch College	M.Ed.
Floryan, Ray	4	Fifth	Lyndon State College	B.S.
Gasser, Toni Beth	1	Fifth	Univ. of Hartford	B.S.
Harrington, John	2	Instr. Music	Lowell State College	B.Mus.Ed.
Hendershot, Darlene	6	English	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.A.
Jonson, Arthur	0	Math	Bates College	B.A.
Keaney, Cynthia	6	English	Salem State College	B.S.
Kelley, Timothy	0	Math	Holy Cross College	B.A.
Kenney, Joyce	11	Librarian	Eastern Michigan Univ.	B.S.
Klumpp, Jeryl	0	Sixth	Keene State College	B.S.E.
Langille, Kyle	1	Home Economics	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.S.
Lister, David	6	Physical Ed.	Northeastern University	B.S.
Lynch, Janet	5	Fifth	St. Joseph's College	B.A.
Manley, Jonathan	3	Science	Keene State College	B.E.
Martin, Mary Alyce	15	Sixth	Boston College	M.Ed.
McCullough, Bruce	6	Science	Univ. of New Hampshire	M.A.T.
Miley, Pamela	14	Sixth	Univ. of Michigan	M.A.Ed.
Nadeau, Donna	0	French/Spanish	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.A.
Nielsen, Elden	13	Music	Mankato State College	M.S.
Olsen, Robert	1	Industrial Arts	Central Ct. State College	B.S.
Pena, Michael	9	Sixth	Lyndon State College	B.S.Ed.
Pichette, Noella	12	French p.t.	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.A.
Price, Jill	7	Math	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.A.
Roberts, Patricia	7	Fifth	Ohio State University	B.S.
Shaw, Elizabeth	22	English	Tufts University	B.A.
Sirois, Diane	7	Fifth	Rivier College	B.A.
Stoelting, Dayle Ann	6	Reading	Univ. of Chicago	M.S.T.
Sullivan, Christine	1	Learning Dis.	Boston College	A.B.
Treadwell, Jean	5	Math	Wellesley College	B.A.
Tumas, Paul	1	Social Studies	Univ. if Maine	M.A.
Walter, John	6	Sixth	Keene State College	B.E.

Beauvais, Linda	Aide - Grade 8	Duval, Patricia	Secretary
Leblanc, Donna	Aide - Grade 7	McIntire, Steven	Custodial Foreman
Trevathan, Paula	Aide - Grade 6	Bagley, Paul	Custodian
White, Margaret	Aide - Grade 5	Hamel, Arthur	Custodian
Caulfield, Hope	Nurse	Trudo, Scott	Custodian

Copeland, Shirley	School Lunch Dir.	Nestor, Sylvana	School Lunch
Gall, Anna	School Lunch	Ledger, Dorothy	School Lunch
		Grondin. Christine	School Lunch

REPORT OF HEALTH SUPERVISION
1974-75

Jan J. Tigchelaar, M.D., Examiner
Hope Caulfield, R.N., School Nurse
Rosalie McGeoch, R.N., School Nurse

Total No. of Children Examined	175
Tests:	
Tine Tests	88
Mantoux Test	6
Chest X-ray	5
Immunizations:	
Flu Shots (teacher)	30

Report of School Nurses

Vision Tests	1250
Hearing Tests	1200
Inspections	1100
Heights	1210
Weights	1210
First Aid	4310
Medication	2580

Communicable Diseases

Chicken Pox	64
Pediculosis	2
Impetigo	14
Ring Worm	2
Conjunctivitis	2
Strep Throat	91

Defects Found by Medical Examiner

	Defects	Treatment
Scoliosis	2	2
Hernia	2	2
Heart Murmur	1	1

Defects Found by School Nurse

	Defects	Treatment
Vision	25	20
Hearing	15	11
Teeth	7	7
Tonsils	2	2

Clinics and Special Referrals

	No. Examined	No. Treated
Dental	10	10
Mental Hygiene	7	7
Pre-School Clinic	186	6

No. of Home Visits – Contacts by School Nurse 1388

SYNOPSIS OF AMHERST SCHOOL MEETING

March 7, 1975

The annual meeting of the School District of Amherst at the Wilkins School was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Moderator Creeley Buchanan. Rev. Arnold Johnson offered a prayer and Mrs. Donald Davis led the Pledge of Allegiance. There were about 240 voters present.

Mr. Buchanan read the call and announced he would read each article as it was considered. Paul Dudley, School Board Chairman, introduced Jeffrey Smith, Business Manager of Union 41; Roland Schoepf, Superintendent; Paul Collins, Principal; Herbert Stearns and Elizabeth Puddington, Board members; Ronald Pomerleau, incoming member; Louise Ainsworth, clerk and treasurer; and Marcia Terkow, executive secretary, Union 41.

Article 1. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officer or agent of the district. Herbert Stearns moved that Article 1 be passed over and taken up under Article 9. Seconded and carried.

Article 2. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto. Elizabeth Puddington moved that the District accept all reports as printed in the School Report. Seconded and carried.

Article 3. To choose agents, auditors and committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant. Mr. Dudley moved that the Town Auditors serve as School Auditors. Seconded and carried.

Article 4. To see if the district will authorize the School Board to make application for and receive in the name of the district such advances, grants and aids, or other funds for educational purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States Government or any other state or private agency. Mr. Stearns moved adoption of Article 4. Seconded and passed.

Article 5. To see if the district will vote to authorize the School Board to continue studying the feasibility of the N.H. Educational Voucher Plan as it would apply to Amherst, and make a recommendation to be voted on at the annual school district meeting in 1976. Mrs. Puddington moved adoption of Article 5. Seconded. The Board noted its reasons for opposition to the motion. The motion was lost.

Article 6. To see if the district will resolve: "That the Amherst School District desires to amend the Amherst/Milford AREA contract to withdraw the ninth grade, if legally feasible, and incorporate the same into the Amherst School District." The discussion was on the interrelated Articles 6, 7 and 8. The voice vote on Article 6 was in the negative; motion lost.

Article 7. To see if the district will resolve: "That the Amherst School District desires to amend the Amherst/Milford AREA contract to form a Cooperative School District as defined in RSA 195."

Seconded and passed. The vote was declared to be unanimous by the moderator.

Article 8. To see if the district will resolve: "That if the Amherst/Milford districts fail to reach mutual acceptance of the formation of a Cooperative High School District, the school board will initiate steps to effect ultimate withdrawal of all grades, if legally feasible, and incorporate the same into the Amherst School District." M. A. Wight moved that the Article be tabled. Seconded. Motion lost. The vote on Article 8 was negative; the motion to approve Article 8 was lost.

Article 9. To see what sum of money the district will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for school district officials and agents, and for payment of the statutory obligations of the district. Mr. Dudley moved that the sum of $2,537,880.57 be raised. Seconded. After a discussion of the increases in the budget by the Board, Alan Huebner moved that Account No. 210.2 be reduced from $121,808 to $111,808 by eliminating the proviso for a possible additional second grade teacher dependent on increased enrollment. Seconded. The standing vote was "Yes" 109; "No" 94. The motion carried. Mr. Huebner moved that Account No. 210.2 be reduced from $111,808 to $81,808 by not hiring additional art, home economics and industrial arts teacher (3) for the Middle School. Seconded. The board explained that if this was passed the choice would have to be made whether to give 7th and 8th grade students the twice a week class meeting state minimum standards, eliminating them in the 5th and 6th grades, or giving all students in the Middle School one class a week in each subject. The motion was carried.

Mr. Huebner moved that Account 230 be reduced from $37,366.00 to $35,416.00, a slighter percentage increase. The standing vote was "Yes" 86; "No" 61. The motion carried. Mr. Huebner moved that Account No. 610 be reduced from $66,760.00 to $61,070.00 by not hiring an additional custodian for the Middle School. The motion carried. Mr. Huebner moved that Account No. 630 be reduced from $12,000.00 to $10,000.00. The motion carried.

The amended Article 9 in the amount of $2,488,240.57 was carried.

Article 10. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting. Mr. Stearns moved a rising vote of thanks for Paul Dudley for his dedicated and hard work the past six years on the School Board.

Mr. G. W. Brown moved adjournment. Seconded and carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:22 p.m.

LOUISE AINSWORTH, Clerk

MODIFIED PROGRAM BUDGET
PROGRAM LEVEL CATEGORIES

Elementary

1.1 ELEMENTARY – INSTRUCTION	
1.10 General Instruction	
1.101 Course Reimbursement	$ 2,700 00
1.102 TV	700 00
1.103 Film Service	450 00
1.104 Professional Books	75 00
1.105 Staff Development	3,607 00
1.11 Academic	
1.111 First Grade	117,014 83
1.112 Second Grade	100,303 64
1.113 Third Grade	82,309 93
1.114 Fourth Grade	95,232 38
1.115 Enrichment	
1.151 Art	15,361 63
1.155 Music	13,940 44
1.156 Physical Education	12,571 85
1.16 Special Education	
1.161 Special Class	32,700 07
1.17 Substitutes	6,327 74
1.2 ELEMENTARY – INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT	
1.21 Library and A/V	20,088 59
1.22 Guidance	17,528 80
1.23 Student Body Activities	1,700 00
1.25 Educational Consultants	
1.251 Consultants	750 00
1.252 Reading Consultant	5,491 00
1.256 Testing	1,450 00
1.257 Aides	26,601 00
1.258 Parent Volunteer	250 00

1.2 ELEMENTARY – OTHER SERVICES	
1.32 Health Services	7,271 40
1.4 ELEMENTARY – PLANT	
1.41 Staff	36,872 70
1.42 Operations	
1.421 Supplies	6,404 00
1.422 Heat	18,139 00
1.423 Utilities	15,695 00
1.43 Maintenance	
1.432 Repairs to Buildings	660 00
1.433 Repairs to Equipment	150 00
1.434 Contracted Services	5,735 00
1.44 Capital Outlay	
1.442 Equipment – Replacement	650 00
1.45 Debt Service	
1.451 Principal	70,000 00
1.452 Interest	22,161 00
1.453 Charges	15 00
1.5 ELEMENTARY – ADMINISTRATION	
1.51 Staff	
1.511 Principal	19,131 17
1.513 Office Staff	7,212 97
1.52 Operations	
1.521 General Expenses	
1.5211 Office Supplies	540 00
1.5212 Office Fund	400 00
1.5213 Printing and Advertising	650 00
1.525 Dues	160 00
1.527 Conferences	600 00

MODIFIED PROGRAM BUDGET
PROGRAM LEVEL CATEGORIES

Middle

2.1 MIDDLE – INSTRUCTION		
210.1 General Instruction		
2.101 Course Reimbursement	$	2,700 00
2.102 TV		700 00
2.103 Film Service		500 00
2.104 Professional Books		100 00
2.105 Staff Development		1,150 00
2.12 Academic		
2.121 English		55,643 99
2.122 Language		32,964 00
2.123 Mathematics		46,955 93
2.124 Science		48,723 46
2.125 Social Studies		31,881 19
2.126 Grade 5		76,065 16
2.127 Grade 6		77,889 98
2.15 Enrichment		
2.151 Art		24,407 91
2.153 Home Economics		23,146 90
2.154 Industrial Arts		22,679 54
2.155 Music		38,653 83
2.156 Physical Education		23,526 61
2.157 Reading		15,162 10
2.16 Special Education		
2.161 Special Class		10,282 41
2.17 Substitutes		7,076 04
2.2 MIDDLE – INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT		
2.21 Library and A/V		29,270 53
2.22 Guidance		17,713 76
2.23 Student Body Activities		5,500 00
2.25 Educational Consultants		
2.251 Tutors		1,471 72
2.252 Consultant		500 00
2.253 Summer Curriculum		500 00

2.254 Home Bound Instruction	150 00
2.255 Child Services	250 00
2.256 Testing	600 00
2.257 Parent Volunteer	250 00
2.258 Consortium	2,040 00
2.259 Aides	17,998 00
2.3 MIDDLE – OTHER SERVICES	
2.32 Health Services	8,449 60
2.4 MIDDLE – PLANT	
2.41 Staff	37,493 25
2.42 Operations	
2.421 Supplies	3,230 00
2.422 Heat	30,740 00
2.423 Utilities	22,222 00
2.424 Contract	2,000 00
2.43 Maintenance	
2.432 Repairs to Buildings	605 00
2.433 Repairs to Equipment	150 00
2.434 Contracted Services	3,227 00
2.44 Capital Outlay	
2.441 Equipment – New	400 00
2.442 Equipment – Replacement	379 00
2.45 Debt Service	
2.451 Principal	165,000 00
2.452 Interest	122,600 00
2.5 MIDDLE – ADMINISTRATION	
2.51 Staff	
2.511Principal	22,623 95
2.513 Office Staff	8,735 00
2.52 Operations	
2.521 General Expenses	
2.5211 Office Supplies	500 00
2.5212 Office Fund	600 00
2.5213 Printing and Advertising	450 00
2.525 Dues	160 00
2.527 Conferences	600 00

MODIFIED PROGRAM BUDGET
PROGRAM LEVEL CATEGORIES

System

4.1 SYSTEM – INSTRUCTION	
4.14 General Instruction	
4.2 SYSTEM – INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT	
4.21 Community Activities	1,500 00
4.3 SYSTEM – OTHER SERVICES	
4.31 Transportation	
4.311 School Bus	123,100 00
4.312 Gasoline Adjustment	4,000 00
4.313 Extra Trips	1,200 00
4.314 Special Education	
4.32 Health Services	
4.4 SYSTEM – PLANT	
4.42 Operations	1,825 00
4.5 SYSTEM – ADMINISTRATION	
4.52 Operation	
4.521 Insurance	11,012 00
4.522 School Lunch	15,000 00
4.523 Tuition	740,258 00
4.524 Contracted Services	20,421 00
4.525 Contingency	5,000 00
4.53 Town Administration	
4.531 School Board	3,025 00
4.532 Treasurer	650 00
4.533 Clerk	25 00
4.534 Moderator	15 00
4.535 Auditors	20 00

4.536 Census	325 00
4.537 Attendance Services	50 00
4.538 Supervisor of Checklist	100 00
4.539 Study Committee	50 00
4.5310 Secretary	400 00
4.54 Supervisory Union	
4.541 Supervisory Union Share	51,758 83
TOTAL BUDGET	$2,795,953 83

OFFICE HOURS of TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen
Town Hall, Monday Evenings, 7:30 p.m.

Selectmen's Secretary
Town Hall: Monday thru Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Town Clerk
Town Hall: Monday thru Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Monday evenings, 7:00 to 9:00 p. m.

Tax Collector
Town Hall: Monday thru Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Monday evenings, 7:00 to 9:00.

Zoning Administrative Official
Town Hall: Monday thru Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 10.00 a.m.
Monday evenings, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

General Information

Town Office Telephones Town Clerk — Tax Collector Zoning Administrator — Selectmen	673-6041 and 673-6048
Recreation Director — Brick School 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.	673-7030
Fire Chief	673-2934
Road Agent	673-1293
Highway Department	673-2317
Police Department	673-4900

SOUHEGAN REGIONAL LANDFILL — Rte. 101
Open Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

For Police or Any Emergency **673-1414**

To Report a Fire **673-3131**